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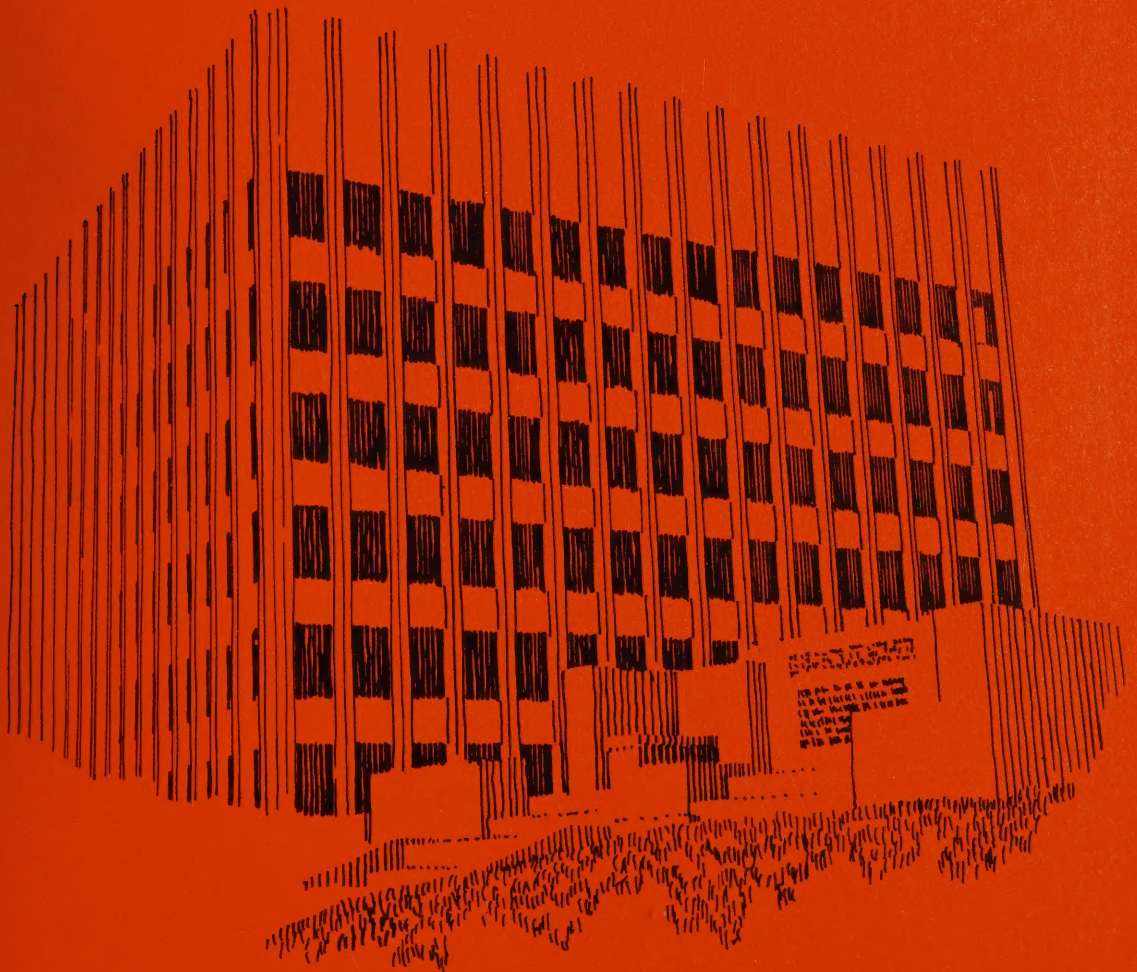






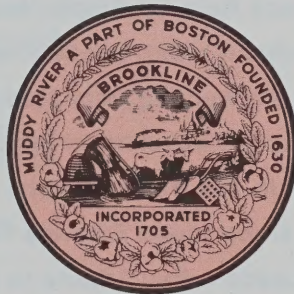
# Town of Brookline

## 1976 Annual Report









271st Annual Report  
of the TOWN OFFICERS  
of BROOKLINE  
for the year ending  
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## 1976 in Headlines

- Selectmen Fire First Salvo in Tax Battle — Operating Budget Cut 3.3%
- School Committee Budget Held to Slight Increase Over FY 76
- Arthur O'Shea Remembers Brookline's Prestigious Past
- Thomas F. Larkin Named Veterans' Services Director
- Myerson, Goldenberg, Senecal, Conry, Connorton Victorious
- Selectman Novakoff Lauded at "Man of Year" Breakfast
- Pierce Repairs to Cost Over \$250,000; Building Found Safe
- Preservation of Brookline's Past Begins With Historical Inventory
- Town Meeting Approves Cut of Four Police Positions
- \$5 Tax Increase Likely; 'Austerity' Will Continue
- Over 450 Sign Petitions for Retention of Minibus
- Seven Police Park Interns to Fight Tide of Vandalism
- Brookline to Celebrate "Bicentennial Birthday"
- Town Merchants Join Forces for Coolidge Corner Renewal
- Residency Rule for Employees Appears Unlikely
- New Rehabilitation Funds Enable Expanded Village Program
- Private Accounting Accepted
- Newspaper Recycling to Begin
- Decline in Tax Base Disturbs Assessor
- Health Department Extends Flu Shots to All Age Groups
- Town Leaders Pay Tribute to Edna Stein
- Mounted Gavel Symbolizes Kaplan Years
- Community Shares in New Life of Renovated Devotion School



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# TOWN OFFICERS

## Elected Town Officers

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1976-1977

### MODERATOR

Justin L. Wyner (1979)

### TOWN CLERK

John F. Kendrick (1979)

### BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., *Chairman* (1978)

Eleanor Myerson (1979)

Edward Novakoff (1977)

Judah M. Stone (1978)

Stephen B. Goldenberg (1979)

### TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

Allan Sidd (1978)

### TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Emilie L. Drooker, *Chairman* (1978)

Bernard E. Edelstein (1977)

Martha G. Edmondson (1977)

Robert I. Hunneman (1977)

H. Richard Tyler (1977)

Bertha Ann D. Copeland (1978)

Dorothy B. Edinburg (1978)

Tudor Gardiner (1978)

Morris Goldman (1979)

Ann G. Hurlbut (1979)

James A. Lowell (1979)

Frederick S. Sharff (1979)

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Ann M. Wacker, *Chairman* (1978)

Joseph Robinson (1977)

Ellsworth E. Rosen (1977)

Natalie G. Zuckerman (1977)

Jacques M. Dronsick (1978)

Roger W. Stern (1978)

John Connorton (1979)

Brian L. Conry (1979)

Barbara M. Senecal (1979)

### TRUSTEES OF WALNUT HILLS CEMETERY

Walter E. Palmer, *Chairman* (1977)

Roger B. Tyler (1977)

Kevin J. Lally (1978)

Russell H. Mann (1978)

George V. Brown, Jr. (1979)

Ernest R. Caverly (1979)

### BROOKLINE HOUSING AUTHORITY

Joseph J. Slotnik, *Chairman*

Thomas P. Condon (1978)

Bernice R. Speen (1979)

Harriet Sussman Bremner (1980)

John W. Kickham (1981)

### BROOKLINE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

James P. Duggan, *Chairman* (1980)

James M. Brown (1979)

Francis O'Boy (1977)

John M. Clancy (1977)

### CONSTABLES

James V. Esposito

William A. Figler

Tania R. Langerman

John P. McElroy

William F. Norris, Jr.



## Appointees

### FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1976-1977

#### BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Richard T. Leary, *Executive Secretary*

#### COUNSEL

David L. Turner, *Town Counsel*

John J. Carlino, *Asst. Town Counsel*

#### ADVISORY COUNCIL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Adele Dronsick (1977)

Dr. M. Michael Cohen (1978)

Genevieve Foley (1978)

Dr. Stephen Schoenbaum (1979)

Karen Fischer (1979)

#### DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Shepard N. Cohen

#### ASSESSORS

Francis E. Ryan, *Chairman* (1977)

Aryeh R. Friedman (1978)

George F. McNeilly (1979)

#### BOARD OF APPEALS

Arthur J. Hanflig, *Chairman* (1977)

Russell W. Ambach (1979)

Robert W. Stokes (1978)

John F. Kendrick, *Secretary*

#### BOARD OF APPEALS —

#### ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Clifford D. Stewart (1978)\*

Abraham J. Zimmerman (1977)

Joseph I. Sargon (1979)

#### BOARD OF EXAMINERS

Clifford D. Stewart (1978)\*

George Michelson (1977)

Julius Abrams (1979)

#### BUILDING COMMISSION

A. Anthony Tappe, *Chairman* (1977)

John J. Doherty (1977)

Eugene Eisenberg (1977)

William Landau (1977)

Stanley Shuman (1977)

#### BUILDING COMMISSIONER

Royce E. Beatty

#### INSPECTOR OF WIRES

John Crowley

#### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Mary P. Nelson, *Chairman* (1977)

M. Lee Albright, *Vice Chairman* (1977)

Merrill H. Diamond (1978)

Bernard I. Sohn (1978)

Henry T. Wiggan (1979)

Dr. Joan Fried (1979)

Iris D. Linson (1979)

#### CONSERVATION

Hooper L. Brooks, *Director*

#### TREE PLANTING COMMITTEE

Hamilton Coolidge, *Chairman* (1978)

Corliss Engle (1977)

John E. Miller (1979)

#### HUMAN RELATIONS —

#### YOUTH RESOURCES COMMISSION

Myron A. Alexander, *Chairman* (1978)

Roy H. Brown (1978)

Thomas P. Condon (1977)

Karen G. Fischer (1979)

Charles R. Frazer (1979)

Capt. John F. Griffin (1979)

David Gold (1977)

Sheila H. Harrington (1977)

Edward D. McClure (1977)

Shirley L. McGarry (1978)

Francis J. Moroney (1977)

Agnes H. Rogers (1978)

Msgr. Francis J. Sexton (1977)

Mary S. Spencer (1978)

#### DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RELATIONS —

#### YOUTH RESOURCES

Joseph F. McCormack (1977)

#### PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Daniel F. Ford, *Chairman* (1978)

Cantor Michal Hammerman (1977)

Jean B. Waldstein (1977)

Jane Moss (1978)

Walter E. Elcock (1978)

Bernard Solomon (1979)

Barton H. Tayer, D.M.D. (1979)

#### DIRECTOR — RECREATION DIVISION

Evelyn M. Kirrane

\*Resigned

## SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS AND FORESTRY

Daniel W. Warren, Jr.

## PERSONNEL BOARD

Barbara Pastan, *Chairman* (1979)  
Franklin Wyman, Jr. (1977)  
Mark A. Leipman (1977)  
Michael J. Muse (1978)  
William J. Kickham (1979)

## PLANNING BOARD

Robert Kramer, *Chairman* (1978)  
Dr. Joseph Gartner (1977)  
Herbert L. Shivek (1979)  
David Adelson (1980)  
Patricia C. Libbey (1981)

## PLANNING DIRECTOR

John E. Woodward, Jr. (1977)

## COUNCIL FOR PLANNING AND RENEWAL

Lawrence Koff, *Chairman*

### *Precinct 1*

Ruth Clapp  
Linda G. Goldburgh  
Diane Gordon  
Henry I. Kohn

### *Precinct 2*

Lillian Freedman  
James Barron  
David Mead

### *Precinct 3*

Nancy Anderson  
Karen Fischer  
Ann C. Reeve  
Deborah G. Ross

### *Precinct 4*

Dorothy Bruno  
Barbara Cunningham  
Rena Silber  
Abraham Wallace

### *Precinct 5*

R. Christian Beasley  
Robert Ransom  
Samuel E. Shaw III  
William Varian

### *Precinct 6*

Claudine Bing  
Sheila M. Kaplan  
James Griffin  
Stephen Lipman  
Esther Maletz  
Philip Zeigler

### *Precinct 7*

Sarah Barnes  
Peter Freeman  
Jane Hutchings

### *Precinct 8*

G. Craig Bolon  
Elliot Friedman  
Martin Loria  
Diane McKenney  
Loretta Sneirson  
Samuel Spiegel

### *Precinct 9*

MacDonald Barr  
Pamela Burnley  
Charlotte Burrage  
Else Lewen  
Claudette Markell  
Linda G. McCabe  
Brian Opert  
Skip Sesling  
Albert Silverman

### *Precinct 10*

Kenneth Block  
Dan Fraenkel  
Pauline Frank  
Michael Kraus  
Karl Radov  
P. James Rowland  
Judy Rosenberg  
Jordan Shapiro  
Rosanne Stein  
Max Tisser

### *Precinct 11*

Maurice Davis  
Norman Cubell  
Julian Edelman  
Ben Hood  
Melvin Meister  
Cynthia Finch

### *Precinct 12*

Norman Cohen  
Christopher Hussey  
Fred Kassman  
Michael Shattow  
Bailey Saiger Silbert

### *Precinct 13*

Kathryn Harris  
Daniel Katz  
Thomas Kahn  
Susan Goldberg  
Jane Manly  
Robert K. Sloane  
Jean Stanbury  
Bonnie Wilber  
Richard Litner

### *Precinct 14*

Robert L. Ash  
Michael Galatis  
Mary Larkin



*Precinct 15*

Susan Rogers  
Terry Anne Vigil

*Precinct 16*

Abbot E. Allschwang  
Abbe Cohen  
John O'Keeffe  
Gloria Phillips  
Arthur Stern, Jr.  
Mrs. Phyllis G. Ryack  
Howard Wilgoren

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

William B. Hickey, *Chairman* (1979)  
Frances Halpern (1977)  
Robert Wong (1978)  
John F. Kendrick, *ex-officio*

RENT CONTROL BOARD

David G. Pfeiffer, *Chairman* (1977)  
Estelle Katz (1977)  
William Figler (1977)  
George M. Lezberg (1977)  
Stephen M. Roberts (1977)  
Thomas J. Dillon (1977)  
Richard A. Siegel (1977)  
Nathan S. Wise (1977)  
Cynthia Reed-Workman (1977)

RENT CONTROL BOARD DIRECTOR-COUNSEL

Roger R. Lipson

RETIREMENT BOARD

Joseph P. Duffy (Elected by Members)  
Joseph F. McCormack (1977)  
Frank E. Mauritz (ex-officio)

TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Leo R. Minahan, *Chairman* (1977)  
Sherman G. Sass (1977)  
Arthur J. Eckman (1978)  
Robert E. Hillman (1978)  
John P. Daley, Jr. (1979)  
James M. Berenson (1979)

DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION

Stanley T. Siegel

BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

Jason A. Aisner, *Chairman*  
Alan E. Gorham  
Irene Heartz  
Evelyn M. Kirrane  
Ann E. Macdonald  
Helen T. McIntosh  
William D. Mehegan

James W. Segel  
Duncan Smith  
Roger B. Tyler  
S. Morton Vose, II  
Genevieve Wyner

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Dr. Irvin Taube, *Chairman* (1979)  
Jean Kramer (1977)  
Carolyn Wetherbee (1977)  
Ann E. Macdonald (1977)  
Nancy A. Smith (1978)  
Dorothy M. Singer (1978)

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Robert M. Stein, *Chairman*  
Bruce R. Young, *Vice Chairman*  
Robert L. Ash  
Robert J. Awkward  
Jean Berg  
Juan Cofield  
Steven J. Comen  
J. Mildred Crowley  
Luster T. Delany  
Mary Firestone  
Louis M. Flashenberg  
Stephen C. Ford  
Mary J. Harris  
Joan B. Lamphier  
Virginia W. LaPlante  
Ralph B. Levy  
Charlotte Litt  
Donald J. Moore, Jr.  
Eric Robert Morse  
Patricia Ostrander  
Deborah D. Rudman  
Laura B. Schlesinger  
Shirley Sidd  
Claire Waldman  
Sidney Weinberg  
Russell Werby  
Anne N. Baybutt Winslow  
Seymour A. Ziskend

COMMITTEE ON TOWN ORGANIZATION AND  
STRUCTURE (appointed by the Moderator)

Samuel E. Shaw, II, *Chairman*  
Robert C. Berner  
Ruth D. Dorfman  
Ellen S. Heller  
Benjamin H. Lacy  
Martin A. Linsky  
Alan R. Morse

COUNCIL ON AGING

Louise M. Castle, *Chairman*  
Evelyn Greenman, *Director*

COMPTROLLER

Frank E. Mauritz (1978)

FIRE DEPARTMENT

William E. Murphy, *Chief*

INSPECTOR OF PETROLEUM

William E. Murphy

LIBRARIAN

Theresa A. Carroll

POLICE DEPARTMENT

James C. Rourke, *Chief of Police*

KEEPER OF THE LOCK-UP

James C. Rourke

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Robert I. Sperber

*Superintendent of Schools*

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Leo D. Picardi, *Commissioner of  
Public Works*

William T. Griffiths, *Director of  
Engineering*

Richard T. Kirby, *Director of  
Highways*

Paul T. Clancy, *Director of  
Water Division*

PURCHASING AGENT

Edward F. Clasby

DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES

Thomas F. Larkin

STATE AID AGENT

Thomas F. Larkin

DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE

Peter J. Needham

TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

William F. Sullivan,

*Asst. Town Clerk*

TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT

Julia Loughlin, *Assistant Treasurer*

WALNUT HILLS CEMETERY

Earle J. Smith, *Superintendent*

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

Thomas P. Condon

DOG OFFICER

Ptl. Robert E. Firth

FENCE VIEWERS

James M. Brown

Louis M. Flashenberg

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

Anne B. Winslow

Robert W. Taylor

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Dr. Herbert S. Carlin

LOCAL MOTH SUPERINTENDENT OF

INSECT PEST CONTROL

Hamilton Coolidge

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Raymond F. Wagner

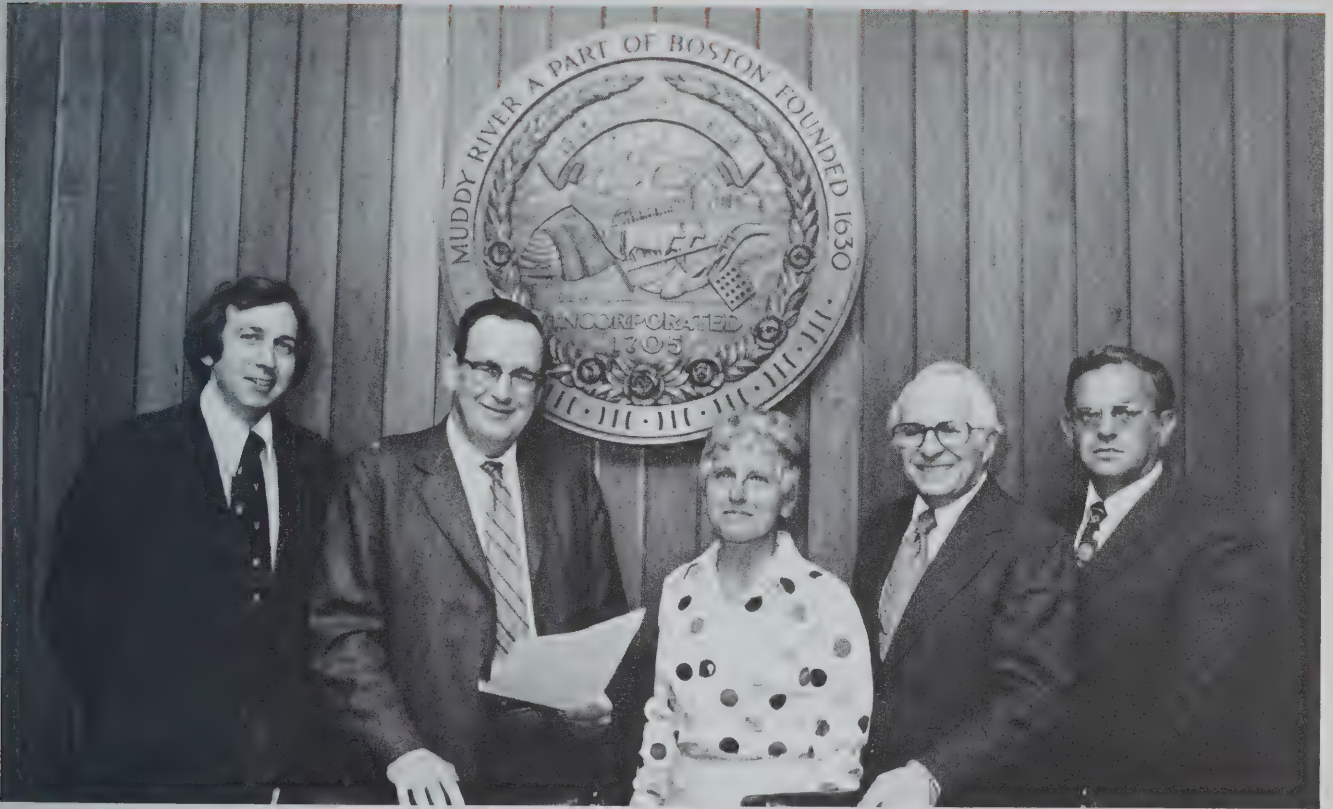
WEIGHERS OF COAL

Augustus M. Signore

Louise Jones



# BOARD OF SELECTMEN



*BROOKLINE'S BOARD OF SELECTMEN (l. to r.) Stephen B. Goldenberg, Chairman Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., Eleanor Myerson, Judah M. Stone, Edward Novakoff.*

At the Board's organizational meeting in March following the annual town election, Robert C. Cochrane, Jr. was elected Chairman. Other Board members are Eleanor Myerson, Edward Novakoff, Judah M. Stone, and Stephen B. Goldenberg. Richard T. Leary was reappointed to serve as Executive Secretary of the Board for the ensuing year.

Our primary objective in preparing this year's Annual Report of the Town of Brookline has been to help interested citizens understand and evaluate the standard of performance rendered and to apprise residents of progress made by their community during the past year. "1976 in Headlines," which appears on an earlier page of the Annual Report, is a capsule summary of major town activities and events during the year, many of which were of importance to the Selectmen. Our report this year will concentrate on some of those and on other projects and issues which were of major significance during 1976 and resulted in key actions by the Board. The details of departmental

activities will not be summarized here as it is felt that they are covered quite adequately in each agency's section of this overall Town Report.

## **Our Fiscal Condition**

In announcing the FY 77 tax rate of \$89, the Board attempted to delineate the town's fiscal problems and possible solutions. The tax rate increase was held to \$5.00 by cutting approximately \$2.3 million from the budget requests submitted by departments, necessitating the elimination by attrition of 34 permanent positions in the non-school departments. This was in the face of a declining tax base and included the settlement of almost all outstanding collective bargaining for employee wage increases. The increase, percentagewise, was one of the smallest in recent years and reflected the making of many hard decisions by the Selectmen, Advisory Committee, and Town Meeting in order to present the taxpayers with a realistic and tolerable tax rate.



Beginning with the Selectmen's budget briefing for all departments, boards and commissions, timely and aggressive efforts were made to deal with the town's budget problem and other fiscal considerations. The Board asked for, and in most instances received, exceptional cooperation from the many citizen officials and department heads who work very hard to provide municipal services second to none. They fully understand, as Town Meeting Members and the townspeople in general should understand, that we can no longer provide as many high quality and diversified local services as we have become accustomed to, without imposing a local tax rate that is clearly beyond the means of many of our citizens.

The result of establishing definitive budget objectives and guidelines was a reduction by the Selectmen and Executive Secretary of \$1,662,882 in departmental budget requests before the budget was transmitted to the Advisory Committee. The Committee effected further reductions totalling \$599,316, mainly in the school budget as presented by the Superintendent. Finally, the Town Meeting in April voted a budget for all departments and operations except schools totalling \$27,702,022 - \$98,917 under the amount appropriated for FY 76. This reduction in the operating budget was achieved despite the necessity to include \$929,576 in increased costs for pensions, group insurance, and worker's compensation — all fixed charges. The school budget increase was \$94,292.

A tax rate under \$90 would not have been possible if the local receipts item had remained static or improved only minimally. We were fortunate, however, to increase our local receipts figure by \$936,000, most of which was attributable to the accelerated motor vehicle excise tax billing process at the State level and an aggressive collection program conducted by the town's Treasurer-Collector. It is worthy to note that in addition to the improved excise tax situation, the town, as of the end of FY 76, had collected 97% of its real estate and personal property tax levy, an enviable record.

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All things considered, the town's fiscal condition remains strong and is enhanced by the availability of \$1,329,130 in surplus revenue or "free cash." This should be of considerable assistance in



*On the occasion of his retirement from the Office of Town Clerk, Thomas F. Larkin receives best wishes of the Board of Selectmen from Chairman Cochrane.*

stabilizing the tax rate for FY 78. The Selectmen welcome and encourage the support and assistance of all residents in the ongoing endeavor to achieve further economies which are aimed at maintaining a stable tax rate situation in the town.

● **Central Village Rehabilitation Program** — In July, 1976 responsibility for the administration of the federally funded Central Village Rehabilitation Program was transferred to the Building Department. Under the direction of the Building Commissioner, a Program Coordinator was appointed to supervise the operation of the housing safety inspection and housing rehabilitation programs, and to coordinate these efforts with other town departments and the Citizens' Advisory Committee for the Central Village.

Since the Central Village is primarily a residential neighborhood, housing safety inspections play a key role in ensuring that residential structures will be safe for homeowners and tenants alike. Housing inspections are designed to identify conditions that are or may become safety hazards and to monitor these conditions until they are corrected.

A systematic process for inspecting all of the more than 3,000 dwelling units (over 900 structures) in the Central Village was established in the fall of 1976 and is expected to continue through June of 1979. To date, more than 700 dwelling units have been inspected. The housing inspection staff consists of three full-time code inspectors.



To help Central Village homeowners, financial and technical assistance in a variety of forms is being provided by the rehabilitation staff. These services include direct 20-year home improvement loans at an interest rate of 3%, cash rebates of 10% to 30% on the cost of eligible repairs, and outright grants to low-income homeowners for the correction of code violations. Professional services are available to advise homeowners on all types of home repairs and renovations, contracting, cost estimating, budgeting and the like.

Under the 3% loan program, more than \$450,000 has already been committed for the rehabilitation of 170 dwelling units, and since November, 1976 an additional \$30,000 has been committed for grants to low-income homeowners. Thus, in excess of \$480,000 in home improvement financing has been provided to date. An active and steady stream of rehabilitation activity is anticipated for the months ahead.

A 20-member Citizens' Advisory Committee has been instrumental in guiding the direction of the Central Village Rehabilitation Program. This group has helped maintain a close working relationship between town agencies involved in the program and community residents. Selectman Myerson, who had served as the Board of Selectmen's liaison with citizen groups in the Washington Square Code Enforcement Area, was designated to serve in a similar capacity with the CAC. The committee made an especially noteworthy contribution toward the creation of the rehabilitation grant and rebate programs and in instituting the housing safety inspection program. Members of the committee represent all areas of the neighborhood, businesses, and community organizations.

● *Commercial Area Improvements* — The Selectmen's Steering Committee on Planning and Rehabilitation held numerous meetings during 1976, concentrating its attention on upgrading the town's commercial areas. The committee's chief concern has been the Coolidge Corner area, and a number of visual improvements have already been implemented with Community Development Block Grant funding. Tree plantings, benches and sidewalk widenings are now in evidence in the vicinity of Harvard and Babcock Streets. Disassembly of numerous billboards has taken place, and considerable improvements have been achieved by a coordinated approach to storefront and sign renovations.

The committee worked closely with the Brookline Chamber of Commerce and the newly-formed Coolidge Corner Community Corporation, whose major immediate objective is to improve the block bounded by Beacon, Harvard, Centre and Williams Streets. Efforts are being made to attract needed

mercantile activity and to discourage unnecessary, duplicative or low quality commercial operations in Coolidge Corner.

The committee has also been interested in improving the commercial areas at Washington Square and at lower Beacon Street near St. Mary's Street. These areas will receive greater attention as the problems of Coolidge Corner continue to be resolved.

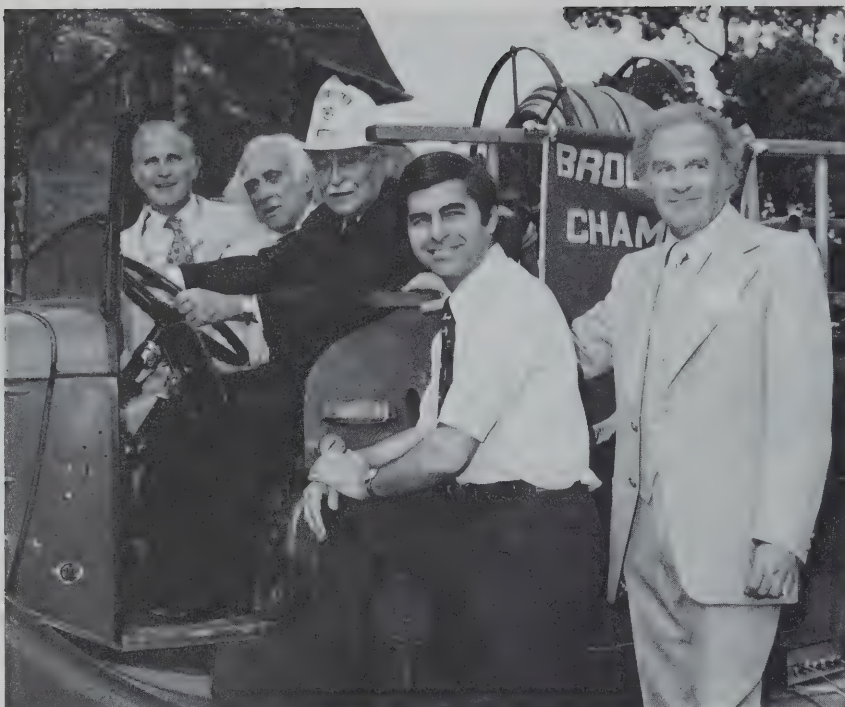
● *Committees of Seven* — This past year was a very busy one for "Committees of Seven" which are called for by Article XV of the town's by-laws for purposes of selecting architects to work on feasibility studies or plans on major town building projects. Each committee has three Building Commission members, three members of the using agency's board or commission, and one Selectman as Chairman.

Selectman Cochrane chaired the Committee of Seven to select an architect for the feasibility study for the Lincoln-Sewall school district. After extensive solicitation, the committee was inundated with proposals and resumes from dozens of architectural firms. Following an initial round of interviews of the best qualified firms and a subsequent in-depth interview of three finalists, the committee selected the firm of Drummey, Rosane, Anderson, Inc. to perform the study.

The Driscoll School was the subject of a second Committee of Seven, this one chaired by Selectman Novakoff. This committee also received many proposals and held several meetings to discuss Driscoll School needs and to interview the candidates deemed best qualified. The firm of Earl R. Flansburgh Associates was chosen to perform the Driscoll School feasibility study.

A third Committee of Seven was organized and chaired by Selectman Stone to select an architect for plans and specifications for the remodelling and renovation of the James J. Lynch Recreation Center on Brookline Avenue. Six finalist firms were selected for interview by the full committee, which voted unanimously to select the firm of Smith, Sellew and Doherty.

● *Compulsory and Binding Arbitration* — The Selectmen took a position of strong opposition to reenactment of Chapter 1078 of the Acts of 1973, which provides for compulsory and binding arbitration in police and fire labor negotiations that cannot be resolved amicably. The Board is of the opinion that binding arbitration weakens the town's position in collective bargaining because of the tendency of police and fire unions to rely on the ultimate availability of outside arbitrators who are apt to grant more expensive settlements and are clearly less informed than the town's own



*Brookline's native son, Governor Michael S. Dukakis, was the center of attraction last June at the annual government reception sponsored by the town's Chamber of Commerce, attended by some 500 persons at Larz Anderson Park. Participants included (left to right) Peter Fuller, Bernard Garber, president of the Brookline Chamber of Commerce; Arthur Fiedler, at the wheel of his fire engine "The Fiedler"; Governor Dukakis, and Harold Masterman, first vice president of the Chamber of Commerce.*

negotiators. Moreover, binding arbitration for police and fire unions eventually extends to other local labor organizations in the form of a "spill-over" effect. Though usually delayed by one or two years, the benefits gained by police and fire unions often accrue to other unionized town employees out of a tendency to treat all town employees with equity in matters of wages, working conditions, and fringe benefits.

The Selectmen strongly believe that to continue the availability of compulsory and binding arbitration for police and fire labor negotiations is not in the best interests of the town.

- **Park Security Interns** — After considerable study of the vandalism experienced in the parks and playgrounds of the town, a committee headed by Selectman Novakoff recommended employing seven young adults during the warm weather months to patrol the park areas where gatherings of youths are common. The seven interns were trained to handle various situations that could lead to park vandalism and disturbances. Their principal task was to prevent vandalism by being present to communicate with groups of their peers. In serious situations the interns are under instruction to call in for regular police officers. It was generally concluded that the program effectively discouraged park vandals while at the same time it avoided the more costly and possibly intimidating effect of having regular officers in the parks and playgrounds during summer evenings. The program will be continued this summer.

- **Curbside Pick-up of Recyclable Paper** — In the fall of 1976, following extensive study by the Commissioner of Public Works and the Citizens' Solid Waste Committee, the Selectmen authorized the use of existing DPW budget resources for a trial program of curbside pick-up of recyclable paper. The program received extensive publicity, including media coverage as well as household mailings. The advertising stressed the need for individual citizen participation in order that the program might succeed by breaking even financially, while achieving the primary objective of recycling valuable materials.

In the first 3 months the program averaged nearly 18 tons of recyclable paper per week, which resulted in a gross weekly savings and revenue of over \$400. The cost to the town in labor and materials to operate this pilot program has exceeded the savings and revenue generated, but it is hoped that more citizen participation, and the return of better weather, will soon bring the program into a "break even" status.

- **Minibus Service** — In May of 1976 the MBTA announced it would terminate the town's "minibus" service, an intra-town loop that had been instituted in 1973 mainly to meet the transportation needs of the elderly. The Selectmen were unable to obtain a reversal of this decision but assured uninterrupted service during the summer by chartering the vehicle from the MBTA at a cost of \$3,000 per month. This arrangement provided the time needed to develop a charter ar-



rangement with a local common carrier at the rate of \$1,250 per month. Even this was seen as too costly and plans have been made to lease a 15-20 seat vehicle beginning in July 1977, with the town furnishing the driver, gasoline and miscellaneous supplies. It is expected that this plan will cost about \$5,000 per year and efforts are underway to lower this proposed outlay by seeking federal assistance for the program.

• *United Way Campaign* — The annual town employees' fund-raising drive for the United Way of Massachusetts Bay was directed in the fall of 1976 by Laurence S. Duffy, Administrative Assistant to the Executive Secretary. The town was assigned an overall goal of \$5,982, 31% more than was raised in the previous year's campaign. After several weeks of departmental presentations and hard work by employee team leaders, the totals were in and a record amount was raised both in payroll deductions and in cash payments. Nearly 400 town employees pledged the amount of \$8,750 or 146% of the campaign objective. For this achievement Municipal Chairman Duffy was presented the United Way's Heritage Award and the following departmental leaders were cited for doing an outstanding job: Ronald Bell, Water Division; George Russell, Highway Division; Bill Hogan, Park Division; Joe McIntyre, Forestry Department; and Leona Gifford, Library

• *New Town Officials* — The year 1976 witnessed the appointment by the Selectmen of three people to major positions in the town. Thomas F. Larkin was appointed Director of Veterans' Services in March following the retirement of John T. Connor. Mr. Larkin had served many years as Assistant Director in the department, and in his first year as Director achieved remarkable success in operating the department with a greatly reduced budget.

In September Michael Rosenberg was appointed Coordinator of the Central Village Rehabilitation Program, which is funded by the federal government under the Community Development Block Grant Program. Mr. Rosenberg had served for two years as Development Coordinator for the City of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and for four years with the City of Cambridge Department of Community Development. He holds a Master's degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Wisconsin.

David Lee Turner was appointed Senior Town Counsel early in the year. Mr. Turner is exceptionally well qualified and experienced in Massachusetts municipal law, having served for many years the Towns of Sudbury, Rockport, Pembroke and Norwell, and the City of Brockton.

In addition to the above mentioned appointed officials, the elected office of Town Clerk was assumed in March by John F. Kendrick after the retirement of Thomas F. Larkin. Mr. Kendrick had served as Assistant Town Clerk and has already made noteworthy progress in the areas of voter registration and management of official town records.

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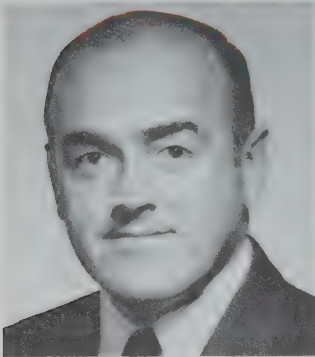
In closing its annual report, the Board of Selectmen notes with profound regret the passing of three of the town's most active citizens and public servants.

Mrs. Edna Stein, founder and President of the Brookline Association for Mental Health, died in November. She was a leader in countless programs aimed at helping the mentally ill, including the Pride Workshop for the Elderly. She was a Town Meeting Member for many years and an active participant in a long list of agencies and programs designed to meet human needs.

James J. Lynch served the Town of Brookline for over forty-seven years, twenty-five of which were as Superintendent of Recreation, until his retirement in 1973. He was an exceptional professional, whose leadership in recreational programs for all the townspeople was apparent to not only the citizens of Brookline, but also to numerous regional and national groups which bestowed upon him many awards.

Allan Sidd, twice-elected Treasurer and Collector of Taxes since his appointment in 1973, was one of the town's best known citizens. Long involved in local, state and national politics, he was dedicated to the betterment of the town and worked tirelessly toward the proper functioning of his office. He was a Town Meeting Member for 15 years and served on the Advisory Committee and several special ad hoc committees in the town.

# EXECUTIVE SECRETARY



Richard T. Leary

In its recent report of Municipal Finance Data, the Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation indicated that FY 1977 property tax levies by the Commonwealth's 351 cities and towns totaled about \$2.78 billion — \$322 million over the 1976 total. This 13.1 percent increase follows a 3-year period during which levies rose at a relatively moderate rate — even below the rate of inflation.

Year	Total Assessed Value (in millions)	Total Property Tax Levies (in millions)	Annual Levy Increase (%)
1965	\$13,493	\$ 964	—
1966	14,979	973	.9
1967	16,437	1,076	10.6
1968	17,865	1,227	14.0
1969	19,568	1,401	14.2
1970	21,464	1,631	16.3
1971	23,747	1,851	13.6
1972	25,776	2,050	10.8
1973	27,978	2,168	5.8
FY 1975	29,859	2,322	7.1
FY 1976	33,026	2,461	5.9
FY 1977	35,037	2,783	13.1

A combination of factors is behind this year's large increase in the property tax levy. Increases in budgeted expenditures — 7.2 percent, and county, state and district assessments — 12.7 percent, were aggravated by the 2.4 percent decrease in "Cherry Sheet" receipts. Local receipts were up 6 percent and total assessed values increased 6.1 percent. But, at the bottom line, the statewide average property tax rate moved from \$74.50 in 1976 to \$79.40 in 1977 — a 6.6 percent jump.

Increases in tax rates were general across the state. Of the 347 announced rates, 247 were above the 1976 rate, 35 showed no change, and 65 were lower. Of the latter, 24 were lower because of revaluations.

Full value tax rates in excess of \$60 per thousand have been estimated in nine cities and one town. Boston leads this group with a full value tax rate of \$123.92 per thousand using the Appellate Tax Board's estimated full value (\$96.10 if the State Tax Commission's higher estimate of full property value is used). Twenty-three cities, mostly the larger and older ones, and three towns have full value tax rates in excess of \$50 per thousand.

The court-mandated goal of full value assessments in every city and town is far from achieved. This year, 56 cities and towns have assessment ratios of 80 percent or higher. However, 156 municipalities are still assessing property at 50 percent or less of full and fair cash value.

The following table compares pertinent financial data compiled for communities in the Greater Boston area, including the core city:

City/Town	Expenditures (\$000)	Tax Levy (\$000)	Assessed Value (\$000)	FY 77 Tax Rate \$	Assessment Ratio %	FY 77 Full Value Tax Rate \$
Boston	630,033	446,370	1,765,000	252.90	49	123.92
Cambridge	92,770	60,109	334,869	179.50	38	68.21
Somerville	41,852	33,719	141,915	237.60	27	64.15
Malden	33,345	27,983	122,197	229.00	28	64.12
Quincy	89,107	52,873	271,421	194.80	31	60.39
<b>BROOKLINE</b>	46,527	40,135	450,957	89.00	63	<b>56.07</b>
Newton	71,017	61,345	373,146	164.40	32	52.61
Medford	33,657	27,527	134,277	205.00	25	51.25
Arlington	31,868	26,856	359,036	74.80	65	48.62
Waltham	39,426	30,418	519,086	58.60	72	42.19



The full value tax rate is probably the best indicator of fiscal strain on the taxpayer. In analyzing the preceding table, it must be remembered that for years Brookline's expenditures per capita have far exceeded those of most, if not all, communities in the Commonwealth in the areas of park and recreation, libraries, health, police, fire, and public works — these high per capita costs being in direct relation to the nature and extent of programs and facilities authorized in prior years. In the field of education, Brookline has consistently led all other cities and towns in terms of per pupil expenditures. Thus, while our full value tax rate is about at the mid-point in relation to those of other nearby urban communities, it is unquestionably true that Brookline's taxpayers are receiving more services for their tax dollars than obtains in the other cities and towns included in the comparison. Having said this, it is just as clear that the well-publicized dilemma of local and state governments — increased costs for all categories of operating expenditures, particularly electric, fuel and telephone charges, coupled with difficulty in obtaining new or expanded revenue sources, is seriously impacting Brookline as well as our neighbors. Our most pressing fiscal need, then, is to rearrange our priorities and contract those extensive service programs that were affordable in the past. Only in this way will we maintain our relatively strong financial position, retain our AAA credit rating, and continue to be an attractive community in which to live.

## **FY 78 Budget Review**

The recommended budget of the Town of Brookline for FY 78 (July 1, 1977 - June 30, 1978), as approved by the Board of Selectmen and transmitted to the Advisory Committee on January 17, totaled \$28,892,422, an increase of \$302,113 or 1 percent over the current fiscal year's budget. These figures did not include the Superintendent of Schools' recommended budget of \$15,217,812; state, county and metropolitan assessments; the results of collective bargaining for FY 78, and special appropriations to be considered at the Annual Town Meeting.

The operating budget review process begins in mid-autumn. It is the most important single project undertaken each year by the Selectmen and its budget officer, the Executive Secretary. Department heads and board or commission members first meet with the Executive Secretary where every effort is made to determine the minimum feasible operating budgets that will provide the many excellent town services citizens expect and enjoy. The Selectmen then review the Executive Secretary's recommendations and meet with department heads and board members in order to

discuss program priorities and policy issues, and to balance needed economies with the public's high expectations for services.

Following on last year's very close scrutiny of departmental operating budgets, the Selectmen and Executive Secretary cited the following important developments that would be foremost in their minds during this year's budget review and which would require continuing the stringent procedures that were adopted last year:

- (1) The town's tax base, which is the primary indicator of our ability to fund municipal services, declined in FY 77 for the first time in many years.
- (2) Despite substantial budget reductions by reviewing authorities, this year's tax rate had to be increased \$5.00, almost solely because of increased wage and fringe benefits gained by employees through collective bargaining. While the increase was seen as "tolerable" under present conditions, the reaction of many taxpayers was extremely negative.
- (3) The possibility that full funding of the 102 local, county, and state retirement systems would replace the existing pay-as-you-go plan. Financing this unfunded liability, even over a 40-year period as recommended by the Retirement Law Commission, would impose substantial additional costs on all municipalities in the Commonwealth.

With an overall goal of holding the line on the tax rate, the Selectmen and Executive Secretary set several guidelines for the review of FY 78 budget requests. Among these were:

- (1) To keep vacant positions open pending review and to eliminate at least 20 permanent positions by taking into consideration both existing and anticipated vacancies. It has been the Selectmen's stated policy that reduction of the municipal work force will be accomplished by normal attrition, changes in operations, and more effective equipment utilization rather than by laying off employees.
- (2) To minimize overtime costs by designing overtime budgets to cover essential or emergency services and to forego overtime payments where rescheduling of employees can suffice.
- (3) To identify service areas, as we did last year, as "essential," "desirable" or "optional." With regard to those service areas coded "essential," maintenance of the existing service level would be the rule — expansion of an essential service would be considered only if offset by reductions elsewhere; activities labeled "desirable" would be looked at very

closely with a view to continuing service but at a lower level; functions classified "optional" would be targeted for substantial reduction or elimination.

- (4) To continue efforts to reduce energy consumption to help offset anticipated cost increases.

With these guidelines in effect, the Executive Secretary and Selectmen's review of all budgets resulted in a total reduction of more than \$600,000 from the original budget estimates.

In the area of personnel, 25½ positions were either eliminated or definitely identified for future elimination as vacancies occur after July 1, 1977 through normal attrition. While a few new positions were established in the Selectmen's recommended town budget, we are gratified that we were able to reach our goal of reducing the overall personnel complement of the town by at least 20 positions. The net annual savings involved in all these personnel actions will be about \$300,000 at the current levels of salaries and fringe benefits.

There are several areas of increased cost in the budget over which little control can be exercised but which are necessary to the town's functions. Increases of 10 percent on petro-chemicals and 5 percent on utilities had to be allowed. Employees' health and life insurance premiums, workers' compensation and property insurance premiums are expected to increase by \$211,000 over current rates. Pensions for retired town employees will increase by more than \$350,000 without any provision for funding the outstanding liability. Most helpful in absorbing a substantial part of these major increased costs was a decrease in funded debt and interest of \$346,000.

The results of this year's comprehensive cost reduction program were most encouraging. They re-

flect a climate which should encourage public confidence in the budget policies of the Selectmen, exercising their responsibilities as the elected Administrative Officers of the Town. Looking ahead, it is clear that budget constraints and management efficiencies cannot by themselves curb a rising tax rate. Firm stands will have to be taken in the area of collective bargaining if the citizens of Brookline are not to be asked to cope with continually rising tax bills.

### Real Estate Valuations

In addition to austerity, it is clear that the town needs a continuing program of economic development if we are to avoid a downward spiraling financial condition. For the first time since 1968, total property valuations in the town declined in FY 77 — and by no small amount, some \$3 million. If that decline is not arrested, or at least off-set by reductions in expenditures or discovery of new revenues, Brookline's future will be no brighter than New York City's or Boston's. Declining property values will push taxes higher, which in turn will erode property values further, and so on.

The major causes of this diminution in property values are 1) the number of taxable properties becoming tax exempt, and 2) the abatement problem and unfavorable appellate tax board settlements. \$1,952,400 in assessed valuations was removed from the Assessors' rolls in FY 76 as the result of properties acquiring tax exempt status.

The fact that our overlay deficit (abatment of prior years' taxes) rose to \$435,000 this year from \$169,000 in FY 76 is striking evidence of the continuing abatement problem. Reflecting the national situation is the downward trend in dollar value of new private construction which reached a new low in 1975 of \$1.4 million.

### Real Estate and Personal Property Valuations 1968-FY 77

Year	Real Estate	Change	Personal Property	Change	Total Valuation	Change
1968	412,764,500	+6,980,000	19,418,600	+ 592,600	432,183,100	+7,572,600
1969	419,744,500	+4,766,700	20,011,200	- 180,500	439,755,700	+4,586,200
1970	424,511,200	+ 571,600	19,830,700	+1,673,700	444,341,900	+2,245,300
1971	425,082,800	+ 982,000	21,504,400	-2,767,000	446,587,200	-1,785,000
1972	426,064,800	+2,498,900	18,737,400	+ 551,400	444,802,200	+3,050,300
1973-74	428,563,700	+3,836,100	19,288,800	- 736,000	447,852,500	+3,100,100
FY-75	432,399,800	+1,386,900	18,552,800	+1,058,700	450,952,600	+2,445,600
FY-76	433,786,700	-2,872,600	19,611,500	+ 431,100	453,398,200	-2,441,500
FY-77	430,914,100		20,042,600		450,956,700	



## **Progressive Municipal Auditing**

Price Waterhouse & Co., the town's independent accounting firm, presented its audit report for FY 75 to the Board of Selectmen on February 23, 1976. The Fiscal '75 audit, performed under the supervision of the Committee on Financial Management, chaired by Selectman Novakoff, was subsequently accepted by the State Bureau of Accounts, establishing Brookline as the first major community in Massachusetts to successfully engage the services of an independent accounting firm to audit its financial records.

The independent audit grew out of the Selectmen's concern that the Bureau of Accounts was unable to meet its responsibility for auditing the financial records of the town on a timely basis due to its workload and shortage of personnel. Ten years ago field examiners had looked over the records in each municipality on an average of once every year to eighteen months; today the visits are about five years apart.

Following receipt of eight proposals from nationally known accounting firms, the Selectmen appointed a seven-member Committee on Financial Management to study the overall question of enlarging the town's accounting procedures and to review the proposals. The committee recommended retention of Price Waterhouse at a cost of \$15,000 for the initial audit. Price Waterhouse was also engaged to conduct the second year audit for the period ending June 30, 1976 in accordance with the revised scope of services which had been broadened to meet the committee's requirements.

There are many advantages to having an external audit of the town's financial statements on an annual basis. Perhaps the most important benefit is that it assures public confidence in the integrity of local officials, an assurance provided by a professional unbiased firm. The financial statements prepared by the independent accounting firm are of considerable value to financial institutions, rating bureaus and investors who are looking for updated certifications when a community enters the bond market. In today's financial climate this verification is essential. The traditional audit objectives of assuring compliance with legal requirements, that the accounts are in balance, and that cash flow is properly controlled, are, of course, met but much more information is also provided. Extensive notes and comments are appended to the basic financial statements which give any interested party a clear picture of the town's financial posture. The style of presentation, which consolidates in four basic schedules the voluminous statements formerly required by the Bureau of Accounts, affords easy review and analysis. As part of the audit program, certain departments and/or

functions are designated each year on a cyclical basis as special areas in which a cash audit and systems review are conducted.

A second report furnished by the independent auditor deals with recommendations to improve management efficiency and internal accounting control. Areas such as cash management, budgetary procedures, trust fund management, assessing and purchasing policies, and data processing, are addressed in this document which is of great value to the town administration.

With a budget approaching \$45 million there is no doubt that the institution of an auditing procedure at a relatively small expense inures to the benefit of our town government and to the citizens. Many other communities in the state have followed our lead and are now being audited by private accounting firms.

## **Organizational Structure**

In concluding this annual report, I would like to reiterate and expand upon several points advanced in an earlier report concerning the town's organizational structure.

In all towns of the Commonwealth the executive power is ostensibly vested in the Board of Selectmen. Yet, in many of these towns you will frequently find that the voters elect several boards and officials who can reasonably claim a separate mandate from the voters. Recent developments in a nearby community point up the problems that such a fragmented form of administration can cause. Responsibilities also become fragmented when a town has a number of autonomous boards and agencies with their own strong constituencies or when agencies, although appointed by the Selectmen, have been given wide powers under legislative action and in many areas are outside the influence of the Board of Selectmen in important town matters. In short, such towns are trying to carry out an increasingly complicated municipal operation with relatively antiquated machinery. Brookline, with its strong "Selectmen-Executive Secretary" form of administration adopted in 1942, has long recognized the importance of control at the top by elected officials augmented by professionally trained administrators with the authority to act. There are few towns which can favorably measure up to Brookline's standard of centralized executive power.

Our centralized operation evolved over a period of years beginning in the late 1950s when the town meeting accepted enabling legislation which authorized the Selectmen to appoint the members of the Planning Board and was soon followed by legislative authorization to appoint the Park Commissioners and the Tree Planting Committee.

Town meeting in 1961 voted that the Board of Assessors should henceforth be appointed by the Selectmen and the decade of the 1960s saw many town agencies reorganized and the beginning of a trend to add several new departments. This was inevitable as town government became increasingly complex and demands for additional services multiplied.

Early in 1963 the General Court approved legislation providing for the creation of a Department of Public Works and the consolidation of the Park and Recreation Commissions. A town Planning Department came into being in 1968, replacing the former arrangement whereby a professional consultant firm provided services to the Planning Board under contract. Boards and agencies such as the Conservation Commission, Rent Control Board, Human Relations-Youth Resources Council, Council on Aging, Transportation Board, and Historical Commission, were either established or expanded their activities significantly. As new problems arose, Brookline, in the pioneering spirit that has been traditional, acted to meet the demands of the times.

Many of the reorganizations and consolidations referred to above grew out of the general survey of the organization and administration of the town government conducted by the Public Administration Service in 1940; the deliberations of the so-called Snow Committee in 1950-51; and the work of the Committee on Town Organization and Structure which was established in 1959 on recommendation of the Committee Appointed to Study the Question of a Town Manager Form of Government.

As the number of town departments reporting directly to the Board of Selectmen has greatly expanded, another fundamental question has been raised in the matter of "span of control" which has now reached serious proportions. If you consider that at the present time centralization of town government has reached the point where there are some twenty operating agencies responsible to the Board of Selectmen, plus several boards and commissions, the magnitude of the problem becomes evident. By way of contrast, the Town of Arlington, a community of comparable size, has in recent years consolidated approximately twenty operating departments into eight major agencies. This was the recommendation of the PAS study here thirty-seven years ago.

Given the number of departments, boards and commissions that require the Selectmen's periodic attention, the time has arrived when further consolidations and reorganizations must be achieved in the interest of administrative efficiency. Areas that have been cited previously include: the expansion of the Department of Public Works to include park maintenance and forestry functions; the establishment of a Department of Human Services to incorporate present departments of Health, Veterans' Services, Council on Aging, and Human Relations-Youth Resources; Code Inspections and Enforcement, where currently overlapping and duplication exists with respect to health, building and fire property inspections; Planning and Urban Development; and utilization of certain appointed boards in an advisory capacity for the determination of policy rather than for the discharge of administrative functions which may be beyond their capacities at the present time due to the size of our community.

The Town of Brookline, like any other public or private institution, must be prepared to make changes in its organizational structure to cope with changing conditions. We are fortunate that we have the machinery in place to recommend desirable changes in the town's organization in the Committee on Town Organization and Structure. In establishing the committee in 1959, town meeting authorized it to "recommend to the town at town meeting:

- (a) such changes in organizational structures as the committee deems desirable; and
- (b) the establishment of such citizen committees or the hiring of such outside personnel to study and report to the town on specific questions of organizational structure, as the committee deems desirable."

It may well be that in carrying out its functions the committee would find it helpful to have consultant advice and assistance as section (b) above suggests. Such surveys and studies have proved valuable in the past, particularly in the areas of public works, park and recreation.

In closing, let me say that we have by and large an excellent community but I believe that it could be made a better one. We are bulging at the seams and it is well for us to examine our structure, to weed out our weaknesses and our inefficiencies to the end that the tax dollar in these trying times might be more productive. As a community of almost 60,000 persons with a budget approaching \$45 million, it is essential that we undertake such a reappraisal.



# TOWN MODERATOR

A unique heritage has been passed down to us from Colonial times in the form of the town meeting and the role of the moderator; and Brookline has made a unique contribution to it. "The Town Meeting conception of Democracy is an idealized way of expressing the Democratic hope that those who are governed will be able to reach those who govern them, that they will be able to make their voices heard where it counts and will be recognized as persons and not as faceless cogs in an efficient machine. It speaks of a belief that a society is safer and freer when the bulk of its citizens understand the programs and goals that their government has chosen. When they have achieved this understanding it is because these programs and goals have been honestly debated in public . . . Freedom as it is experienced in daily life, is the experience of having a hand in the determining of issues that touch the individual closely and ultimately."\*

In the early days of New England, every male above the age of 18 was required to attend the town meeting, and was actually fined if tardy or absent. As time went on, the mandatory attendance at open town meetings was eliminated. The female population had no direct say in town affairs. (This would represent a significant loss to this Moderator in committee appointments). During the Nineteenth Century when a town's population outgrew the capacity to meet in any available place, it would then apply for a city charter and a city council was substituted for the town meeting.

Brookline was the first town to request the Massachusetts Legislature to permit it to adopt a plan of a *representative* town meeting form of government, in which all of the old forms would be preserved, but the business of the meeting would be carried on by town meeting members elected by the voters in each precinct. The Legislature granted Brookline this form of government in 1915 and since that time it has had a representative town meeting where all of the rights of the voters (at large) are still protected. The Moderator is still elected by voters of the town as he was during the open town meeting, and the voters still have the final say about most of the actions of the town meeting, by referendum, if a petition is filed within seven days after the dissolution of the meeting.



Justin L. Wyner

This was recently exercised when a referendum overturned plans to build a new school in 1975.

Elected town meeting members ideally represent the thinking of the citizens of their precinct — if not the town — but the Moderator, elected by town-wide vote, should be certain that the debate on each matter before the meeting is balanced and representative, and further that any citizen of the town, if time permits, has an opportunity to address the meeting on any relevant subject.

It is important for the moderator to maintain a position of non-partisanship. His motivations in the conduct of the meeting must be fair beyond question.

Further, the Moderator must make certain that rights of individuals and minorities are protected against tyranny by the majority — while assuring that the rights of the majority to ultimately prevail are not frustrated by technical or tactical manipulations of those few, more experienced in the art of procedure than logic.

I have often felt like an ombudsman to citizens since I became Moderator, both to individual town meeting members and to their constituents. Since first taking office in 1970, I have instituted regular telephone conference hours before each town

\*Rockefeller Panel Report on American Democracy: The Power of the Democratic Idea.

meeting, in order to make certain that I am available to everyone for counselling on any and all problems relating to warrant articles, the writing of votes, or the general planning of strategy by both the proponents and opponents of a given issue. In addition, I conduct annual instructional sessions for new town meeting members — and as a refresher for experienced members on town meeting procedures. Voters of the town, who are not town meeting members, are always encouraged to request speaking time from the Moderator. If time permits, they are permitted to address the meeting on articles that concern them. Citizens wishing to address the Town Meeting should file their request with the Town Clerk's office at least twenty-four hours prior to the session in which they wish to appear.

The Moderator's shelf has been instituted in all the libraries prior to the annual meeting, or special town meetings, with town budgets and detailed information on the articles made available. Since 1970, the town meeting sessions have been recorded on tape at the request of this Moderator, and these tapes are placed on file at the Main Library for review by any citizens.

A number of years ago, this Moderator requested that the Selectmen establish a policy of a regular Fall Town Meeting at which all articles would be considered that were not essential to be considered at the annual meeting. Zoning bylaw articles and other articles changing bylaws were requested to be heard at the Fall meeting, to more equally redistribute the very substantial work load of the Annual Town Meeting, which increases each year. Recently I have noted that more petitioners, with years of experience in the town meeting, have attempted to place articles that should be deferred until Fall, in the Annual Meeting. This practice, must only result in more serious time constraints being placed on the consideration of *all* articles of the Annual Town Meeting and I take the opportunity of the Town Report to encourage all citizens and committees, to make every effort to more evenly distribute the work load between spring and fall.

### *Committee Appointments*

In addition to the Advisory Committee of 30, the Moderator appoints the Committee on Town Organization and Structure as well as a number of special committees. The Committee on Town Organization and Structure, a standing moderator's committee, is this year headed by Mr. Samuel E. Shaw II, and includes Benjamin Lacy, Alan Morse, Ellen Heller, Robert Berner, Martin Linsky and Ruth Dorfman.

During the past year this committee spent most of its meetings studying the question of the appropriate time for the Annual Town Meeting, in accordance with the request of the Moderator and the resolution of the 1976 Annual Town Meeting, as well as on the Brookline Redevelopment Authority's future as an agency of the town, in accordance with the vote taken under Article 26 in the 1975 Annual Town Meeting. Most of the committee's recommendations on the aforementioned were considered and voted favorably in Articles 2 and 5 of the November 17, 1976 Special Town Meeting.

Citizens who wish to consult with the Moderator may always contact him through the office of the Town Clerk at the Town Hall. The Moderator will contact them by telephone at his earliest convenience.

I want to thank Town Clerk John F. Kendrick for preparing the very comprehensive report and digest of the work of the Annual and Special Town Meetings which follows (the detailed complete and official report of the Town Clerk will be found in Part II of the Annual Report on file in Brookline Libraries).

The Moderator also acknowledges with thanks the following members of the Brookline High School Key Club who have helped with the microphones at various sessions of the Town Meeting: Paula Demopoulos, Susan Pearl, Shelley Pollack, Eric Litt, Graham Peaslee, Theresa Murphy, Richard Piltch, Stuart Piltch, Julie Muse, Carolyn Scalise.

I especially wish to thank Mr. Edward Madden for the High School Blue Jazz Band performance conducted by Steven Lipsitt before the opening of the Annual Meeting in 1976.



# TOWN MEETINGS

## HIGHLIGHTS

### 1976 Annual Town Meeting

The 1976 Annual Town Meeting was called to order by Town Moderator Justin L. Wyner on the evening of Tuesday, March 30, 1976 the first of six sessions. The invocation was delivered by Monsignor Francis J. Sexton, Pastor, St. Mary of the Assumption Church.

Town Clerk John F. Kendrick recorded 231 out of a total of 257 members qualified to act at town meetings. The bylaws relating to Town Meeting Members at-large took effect on March 31, 1976 thereby reducing the total membership qualified to act at town meetings to 252 representing a reduction in at-large members of 11. The largest attendance was recorded at the recessed session of April 6, 224 members present. 218 members were present and voting on April 1, 212 on April 27, the final session, 208 on April 8 and on April 12 there were 196 members recorded as present.

Following customary procedure, Robert C. Cochran, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Selectmen addressed the meeting and reported on the fiscal position of the Town, the free cash and the possibility of an increase in the tax rate pending Cherry Sheet computations and collective bargaining negotiations.

The Moderator in his traditional fashion read through the 36-article warrant and those not held for debate or requiring further information were voted first.

The Personnel Board reported that it could offer no recommendation on the results of collective bargaining for the contract period commencing July, 1976, since negotiations were still in progress. Accordingly, no recommendation with regard to a general salary adjustment or fringe benefits could be considered.

Prior to taking action on those articles on which no debate nor further information was required, the Moderator offered the following resolution to retired Town Clerk, Thomas F. Larkin:

#### A RESOLVE TO THOMAS F. LARKIN

Whereas, Thomas F. Larkin has served the TOWN OF BROOKLINE for twenty years with great distinction in the office of Town Clerk, and

WHEREAS, the office of Town Clerk has become one of the most complex in municipal government, and WHEREAS, said Thomas F. Larkin by his faithful discharge of his many faceted duties has exemplified the highest standards of public service winning the recognition of his peers throughout the Commonwealth who selected him as Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Massachusetts Town Clerks' Association, and WHEREAS, by his untiring assistance to the residents of the town and his unfailing good humor he has won the affectionate esteem of his fellow citizens; now, therefore,

#### BE IT RESOLVED THAT,

we the members of the Brookline Town Meeting on the occasion of his retirement wish him well in all his future endeavors. Most importantly we wish him success in his efforts to break par on every golf course he plays.

Justin L. Wyner  
*Moderator*

In the annual appropriation vote, the Board of Selectmen and the Advisory Committee were in accord with respect to most departmental requests. The Advisory Committee had recommended the pooling of custodial services for the Police, Health and Town Hall, but the final vote of the Town Meeting under the article returned the funding to the respective departmental budgets. The dog control item of the Police Department budget was recommended by the Selectmen and subsequently passed by the Town Meeting. The Advisory Committee had recommended the elimination of three positions in the Fire Department, which position was supported by the Board of Selectmen, and after lengthy discussion the Town Meeting included the positions in the appropriation for the Fire Department.

Renovation and expansion of the Lynch Recreation Center consumed a great deal of time and discussion with the Board of Selectmen and the Advisory Committee making their respective recommendations. The Selectmen prevailed when the Town Meeting eventually voted the article.

The annual article requesting funds for the repair, reconstruction and maintenance of streets throughout the town was defeated.

An Annual article for laying and relaying of water mains was passed by the Town Meeting but with the proviso that a feasibility study being undertaken by the Commissioner of Public Works with the assistance of the Engineering Division and the Treasurer's Office and report back his findings and recommendations at the first fall Special Town Meeting in 1976.

Two articles dealing with the New Pierce School, correction of acoustical problems and correction of masonry work were approved by Town Meeting.

A lengthy article on changes to the Zoning By-Laws with respect to the section on signs was adopted by the Town Meeting.

At the final session held on April 27, 1976 the following resolution presented by Charles Manning, Jr., duly seconded, was unanimously voted:

*WHEREAS*, Mary M. Joyce, a life-long resident of the Town of Brookline, has served the Town for thirty-three years as a Town Meeting Member, and

*WHEREAS*, the said Mary M. Joyce has also served as a member of the Advisory Committee, Council for Planning and Renewal, and many ad hoc study committees, and

*WHEREAS*, by her faithful performance of these duties she has exemplified the highest standard of public service which is recognized by officials and citizens of the Town,

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED* that the members of the Board of Selectmen and the members of the Brookline Town Meeting hereby take cognizance of this outstanding record and join her host of friends in extending sincere best wishes for health and happiness in the years ahead.

Town Meeting action also mandated the appointment of other committees to study various matters, and to have the Committee on Town Organization and Structure report its findings on a study of the Brookline Redevelopment Authority at the fall special Town Meeting as well as the Committee on Street Crime.

### **Special Town Meeting Within the Annual Town Meeting**

On April 6, 1976 a four-article special Town Meeting was dealt with within the scheduled Annual Town Meeting.

Two of the articles dealt with the Workmen's Compensation expense, the first dealing with supplementary funds and the second with payment of bills of prior years.

Collective bargaining agreement of the Public Library for the period July 1, 1975 - June 30, 1977 was funded.

The final Article voted at the Special Town Meeting dealt with legislation exempting from Civil Service Regulations two positions under the School Committee, Director of School Plant and Director of School Food Services.

### **Special Town Meeting, June 30**

A seven article special Town Meeting was begun and dissolved on June 30, 1976. The first six articles dealt with Labor agreements with the Police, Fire and Local 1358, AFSCME, as well as the Staff Association of the Brookline Public Library. The seventh article dealt with the Central Village Rehabilitation Project, delegating authority to the Board of Selectmen to accomplish same.

### **Special Town Meeting, October 26**

A three article special town meeting dealing with specifics of the METCO program was held on the evening of October 26, 1976. The first two articles were postponed indefinitely and a motion offered from the petitioners on article Three was defeated.

### **Special Town Meeting, November 16**

A fifteen article special town meeting was convened on November 16 and dissolved on November 18, 1976. The first article involved Zoning Bylaw amendments and the second dealt with amendments to the Town Bylaws. Articles 3, 4, and 5 proposed legislation dealing with leasing town-owned property, changing of voting precincts and conducting urban renewal projects respectively. Article six was a presentation of the Community Development Block Grant Program for FY '78. Articles 7 and 8 dealt with the Public Works Employment Act of 1976. Nine thru 11 dealt with collective bargaining, Local 950, IAFF, funding of non-bargaining unit employee salary increases, and cost of living adjustments for non-contributory pensioners. Articles 12 and 13 dealt with the New Pierce School, namely repair of water damage and supplementary funds for the correction of masonry work and waterproofing. The subject matter of Article 14 was a rescission of the remaining balance in the borrowing authorization of the solid waste transfer station. Completing the warrant was the 15th Article, Reports of Town Officers and Committees, specifically the following:

- a. Comprehensive Plan Review Commission.
- b. Housing Study Committee.
- c. Feasibility Study of an Accelerating Cleaning and Lining Water Program.



SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN

The following is a summary of the actions taken by the Annual and Special Town Meetings during 1976. More detailed, official Town Meeting Records appear in Part II of this Annual Report, copies of which are available in the Town Clerk's Office, the Selectmen's Office and the Public Libraries.

Annual Town Meeting, March 30

Article 1. *Measurers of Wood and Bark*. VOTED that the number of Measurers of Wood and Bark be two, to be appointed by the Selectmen.

Article 2. *Temporary Borrowing*. VOTED that the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is, authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1976, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Article 3. *Amendments to Classification and Pay Plans*. VOTED to amend sections of the Classification and Pay Plan by adding and deleting certain positions within the Classification and Pay Plan.

Article 4. *Annual Appropriation Vote*. VOTED: to adopt an operating budget, for the fiscal year 1977 in the amount of \$41,897,385.00. The following amounts were authorized for salary adjustments:

Salary Adjustment —	
Town Engineers.....	\$12,600.00
Salary Adjustment —	
School Committee.....	\$537,000.00

Article 5. *Returning Unexpended Balances to the Treasury*. VOTED to authorize the Comptroller to close out either all or a portion of nine various balances as listed in the Article.

Article 6. *Increase in Retirement Allowances*. VOTED that action under the Sixth Article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 7. *Cost of Living Adjustment to Retirees of the town*. VOTED that action under the Seventh Article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 8. *Unpaid Bills*. VOTED to authorize payment of six unpaid bills incurred in prior years.

Article 9. *Installation of a Book Security System at the Main Library*. VOTED that the Town raise and appropriate \$27,155.00 to be expended by the Trustees of the Public Library, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for the installation of a Book Security System at the Main Library.

Article 10. *Redesign of Beacon Playground*. VOTED that action under the Tenth Article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 11. *Repair of Beacon Playground*. VOTED that the Town raise and appropriate \$94,000.00 to be expended by the Park and Recreation Commission with the approval of the Board of Selectmen for the repair of Beacon Playground, including construction of five (5) cushioned hard surface courts and the resurfacing of three (3) asphalt (hard surface) tennis courts, and other facilities.

Article 12. *Community Development Block Grant Funds, Boylston Playground*. VOTED that the Town appropriate and transfer within the Community Development Block Grant funds for FY-1977 \$8,000.00 for plans and specifications for the reconstruction of the Boylston Playground.

Article 13. *Lynch Recreation Center, Feasibility Study*. VOTED to postpone action indefinitely under the thirteenth Article.

Article 14. *Plans and Specifications*. VOTED that the Town appropriate and transfer within the Community Development Block Grant Funds for FY-77 \$50,000.00 to be expended by the Building Commission with the approval of the Board of Selectmen for plans and Specifications for the rehabilitation and modification of the James J. Lynch Recreation Center.

Article 15. *To Discontinue Emerald Street as a Public Way*. VOTED that the town discontinue Emerald Street as a public way.

Article 16. *To accept Pearl Street as a public way*. VOTED that the Town accept Pearl Street as a public way, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Article 17. *To Appropriate, \$64,289, for use by Commissioner of Public Works*, for the repair, reconstruction, and resurfacing of certain public ways in the Town. VOTED that the Town appropriate, \$64,289, for use by the Commissioner of Public Works, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for the repair, reconstruction, and resurfacing of certain public ways in the Town.

Article 18. *To Appropriate, \$132,052, for use by the Commissioner of Public Works*, for the reconstruction, maintenance and repairs of various streets, sidewalks, bridges and paths within the Town. This article was defeated.

Article 19. *To appropriate, \$250,000, for use by the Commissioner of Public Works*, for laying and relaying of water mains throughout the Town. VOTED that the Town appropriate, \$250,000, for use by the Commissioner of Public Works, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for the laying and relaying of water mains throughout the Town.

Article 20. *To Appropriate, \$50,000, for use by the Police Department* for new parking meters. VOTED that the Town appropriate, \$50,000, for use by the Police Department, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for new parking meters.

Article 21. *To Appropriate, \$163,000, for use by the Fire Department* for a new ladder truck. VOTED that the Town appropriate, \$145,000, for use by the Fire Department, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for a new ladder truck.

Article 22. *New Pierce School, Correction of Acoustical Problems.* VOTED that the Town appropriate, \$167,000, for the New Pierce School, for the correction of acoustical problems.

Article 23. *New Pierce School, Correction of Masonry Work.* VOTED that the Town appropriate, \$85,000, for the New Pierce School, for the correction of masonry work.

Article 24. *To Appropriate, \$8,000, for use by the Department of Veterans' Services* to provide Veterans' Quarters for the fiscal year 1976. Action on Article 24 indefinitely postponed.

Article 25. *To Appropriate, \$8,000, for use by the Department of Veterans' Services,* for providing suitable headquarters to qualified veterans' organizations in the fiscal 1977. This article was defeated.

Article 26. *Zoning Bylaw Amendments with Respect to Signs.* VOTED all such amendments as printed.

Article 27. *Amending Article XXII, Section 1, of the Town Bylaws* entitled, "Impounding, Release and Disposition of Dogs." This article was defeated.

Article 28. *Amending Article XXII* of the bylaws by adding to section 5. VOTED that action under the Article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 29. *Brookline Redevelopment Authority* to make property rehabilitation grants. This article was defeated.

Article 30. *Chapter 121B Powers.* VOTED that action under this Article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 31. *Funding Town Pension Obligation.* VOTED that money be appropriated for the funding of the Town's pension obligation.

Article 32. *Prohibit the Enactment of Additional Legislation* which impacts the local property tax. VOTED to petition the General Court that no law imposing additional costs on local cities and towns shall be effective until such law is accepted by vote or by the appropriation of money for such law in local cities or towns.

Article 33. *Approve the Filing of a Petition* with the General Court, providing the inclusion of May 29, as a legal holiday in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. VOTED that the action under this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 34. *Resolution* regarding the revaluation of the real estate in the Town. VOTED that the Town adopt the Resolution.

Article 35. *Reports of Town Officers and Committees.* VOTED to have the Committee on Town Organization and Structure to study the BRA, and along with the Committee on Street Crime, report back to the fall special Town Meeting.

Article 36. *Use of Available Funds.* VOTED that the sum of \$750,000 be transferred from the Surplus Revenue for the purpose of reducing the tax rate for the fiscal year July 1, 1976 to June 30, 1977 (FY-77).

### **Special Town Meeting, April 6,**

Article 1. *Collective Bargaining Agreement* Staff Association Public Library July 1, 1975 - June 30, 1977, funding of (\$59,500) VOTED that the Town appropriate \$59,500, and transfer from the Surplus Revenue, and add it to the annual appropriation.

Article 2. *Workmen's Compensation* — Supplementary funds (\$67,260) VOTED that the Town appropriate and transfer from the Surplus Revenue, \$67,260, to be added to the appropriation for workmen's compensation, for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1975.

Article 3. *Workmen's Compensation* — Payment of bills of prior years (\$94,501) VOTED that the Town appropriate and transfer from surplus revenue \$94,501 to pay the unpaid bills of previous years.

Article 4. *Legislation* — exemption of Director of Plant and Director of School Food Services from Civil Service Regulations. VOTED approval.

### **Special Town Meeting, June 30,**

Article 1. *Classification and Pay Plans Article 1-B of the Town Bylaws, Amendments.* VOTED by majority to approve changes as recommended.

Article 2. *Labor Agreement* — Brookline Police Association, for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1976, funding of. VOTED by majority to approve as recommended.

Article 3. *Labor Agreement* — Local 950, IAFF, for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1977, funding of. VOTED approval by majority as recommended.



Article 4. *Labor Agreement* — Local 1358, AFSCME, for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1977 (funding of wage increase negotiated under terms of July 1, 1976 reopener provision). VOTED by majority to approve the article as amended.

Article 5. *Non-bargainng Unit Employees*, funding of benefits therefore for FY-77. VOTED approval by majority in the words of the article.

Article 6. *Labor Agreement* — Staff Association of the Public Library of Brookline, for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1977 (funding of wage increase negotiated under terms of July 1, 1976 reopener provision). VOTED by majority to approve as recommended.

Article 7. *Central Village Rehabilitation Project* — delegation of authority to Board of Selectmen to accomplish Project, and authority to file related legislation. VOTED by majority vote to approve delegation to the Board of Selectmen as amended and defeated the vote requesting filing of Legislation.

### **Special Town Meeting, October 26**

Article 1. *Legislation* — to revise the law pertaining to the provisions of educating certain non-resident children. VOTED to indefinitely postpone action under this article.

Article 2. *Legislation* — a special Brookline act relating to the education of certain non-resident children. VOTED to indefinitely postpone action under this article.

Article 3. *Audit of School Department Accounts* for 1974, FY 75 and FY 76. VOTED to defeat this Article.

### **Special Town Meeting, November 16**

Article 1. *Zoning Bylaw Amendments*. VOTED to approve the amendments as in the Article with the exception of amendment #12, Section 4.30 which was defeated.

Article 2. *Town Bylaws – Amendments*. VOTED by majority vote to approve amendments.

Article 3. *Legislation* — Authorizing the Town of Brookline to lease Town-owned property for 30 years (Monmouth Street Fire Station — Brookline Arts Center, Inc.) VOTED to approve, by majority, as amended.

Article 4. *Legislation* — Authorizing the Town of Brookline to Change Voting Precincts within the Town. VOTED that action under this article be postponed indefinitely.

Article 5. *Legislation* — Authorizing the Town of Brookline to Conduct Urban Renewal Projects and Activities when Recommended and Requested by its Planning Board. VOTED by a majority to approve as recommended by Vote of the Advisory Committee.

Article 6. *Community Development Block Grant Program for FY 78*. VOTED favorable action as recommended in the Article.

Article 7. *Public Works Employment Act – 1976*, filing applications and expenditure of funds. VOTED favorable action on the article.

Article 8. *Public Works Employment Act – 1976 – Lincoln School*. VOTED by a majority vote favorable action.

Article 9. *Collective Bargaining – Labor Agreement* — Local 950 IAFF, funding of. VOTED unanimously favorable action as recommended.

Article 10. *Non-Bargaining Unit Employees* — Funding of Salary Increases Therefor. VOTED favorable action unanimously under the Article as amended.

Article 11. *Cost of Living Adjustments for Non-Contributory Pensioners, Funding of*. VOTED approval of the Article by majority vote.

Article 12. *New Pierce School – Supplementary Funds for Correction of Masonry Work and Waterproofing*. VOTED to appropriate \$28,000. in the words of the Article by a majority vote.

Article 13. *New Pierce School – Repair of Water Damage*. VOTED favorable action in the words of the Article.

Article 14. *Solid Waste Transfer Station* — Recission of Balance Remaining in the Borrowing Authorization. VOTED unanimously that the Town rescind the balance remaining of \$117,000. in the borrowing authorization.

Article 15. *Reports of Town Officers and Committees*. VOTED to accept the reports of the CPRC, the Housing Study Committee and the Feasibility Study of an Accelerating Cleaning and Lining Water Program.

# TOWN MEETING MEMBERS

## BY PRECINCTS

				1976 Annual and Special Town Meeting Sessions			
				Home Phone	Eligible to Attend	Attended	
<b>PRECINCT 1</b>							
<b>Term Expires 1977</b>							
George L. Blackman	23 Monmouth Street — 277-1340	10	4				
Bertram J. Dane	165 Ivy Street — 232-6812	10	9				
Joan J. Fried	36 Amory Street — 734-1258	10	9				
Ferris M. Hall	14 Amory Street — 232-3047	10	6				
Barbara Hanson	36 Amory Street — 731-2350	10	9				
<b>Term Expires 1978</b>							
Cathleen C. Cavell	27 Monmouth Court — 566-0647	10	8				
Linda G. Golburgh	277 St. Paul Street — 731-9610	10	9				
Eric Robert Morse	9 Hawes Street — 731-1927	10	10				
J. Robert Morse	9 Hawes Street — 731-1927	10	6				
Michael Robbins	105 Colchester Street — 734-4861	10	9				
<b>Term Expires 1979</b>							
Martha G. Edmondson	115 Freeman Street — 232-0949	10	8				
Jennifer B. Katz	6 Chilton Street — 232-7163	10	10				
Henry I. Kohn	14 Monmouth Court — 731-0373	10	9				
Linda Kohn	14 Monmouth Court — 731-0373	10	7				
Ruth C. Scheer	34 Beech Road — 277-6377	10	9				
<b>PRECINCT 2</b>							
<b>Term Expires 1977</b>							
David Bachrach	109 Babcock Street — 277-3234	10	6				
Lillian J. Freedman	27 James Street — 277-9260	10	10				
Chester A. Pearlman, Jr.	21 Elba Street — 731-1387	10	10				
Edith G. Pearlman	21 Elba Street — 731-1387	10	10				
Robert J. Wong	195 St. Paul Street — 734-4802	10	7				
<b>Term Expires 1978</b>							
Betty J. Grossman	48 Browne Street — 277-7328	10	10				
Doris J. Lipson	1258 Beacon Street — 738-5373	10	9				
Mary P. Nelson	29 Copley Street — 731-5022	10	10				
Myron Robins	130 Pleasant Street — 277-3778	10	8				
Barbara C. Scotto	26 Crowninshield Road — 566-0041	10	10				
<b>Term Expires 1979</b>							
James H. Barron	25 Parkman Street — 731-2707	10	10				
David R. Mead	106 Pleasant Street —	10	6				
Lawrence Roberts	40 Browne Street —	10	8				
Meyer Stern	145 Babcock Street — 232-4025	10	7				
Russell T. Werby	18 Still Street — 232-9661	10	7				
<b>PRECINCT 3</b>							
<b>Term Expires 1977</b>							
Robert T. Abrams	125 St. Paul Street — 232-2535	10	7				
Paul A. Kantrowitz	334 Kent Street — 277-6096	10	10				
Daniel G. Partan	200 Kent Street — 566-3716	10	9				
Ann Cole Reeve	33 Kent Square — 232-6202	10	10				
Gail Trust	123 Sewall Avenue — 734-2397	10	10				
<b>Term Expires 1978</b>							
Elizabeth F. Abrams	125 St. Paul Street — 232-2535	10	8				
Mary Lou Abrams	93 Perry Street — 739-1421	10	9				
Terence H. Forde	40 Harrison Street — 734-9863	10	9				
Aron Steinberg	87 Francis Street — 232-6489	10	10				
Bruce R. Young	70 Perry Street — 232-9397	10	10				
<b>Term Expires 1979</b>							
Robert J. Awkward	97 St. Paul Street — 566-0673	10	10				
Marion E. Dubbs	131 Sewall Avenue — 734-4986	10	5				
Karen G. Fischer	93 Stearns Road — 738-0733	10	10				
Deborah G. Ross	30 Francis Street — 277-7826	10	5				
Ann M. Wacker	87 Perry Street — 731-1611	10	8				
<b>PRECINCT 4</b>							
<b>Term Expires 1977</b>							
J. Mildred Crowley	18 Juniper Street — 734-0356	10	7				
Charles W. Manning, Jr.	79 Brook Street — 232-1961	10	8				
Daniel J. Moroney	48 Brook Street — 734-1050	10	10				
John E. Murphy	59 Linden Street — 232-4533	10	9				
Joseph E. Robinson	41 Brook Street — 232-4981	5	3				
*Martin L. Wallace	19 Hurd Road — 277-8044	7	6				
<b>Term Expires 1978</b>							
Anne L. Conway	28 Juniper Street — 734-4217	10	8				
Robert T. Lynch	64 Linden Street — 734-1896	10	10				
Robert E. Robinson	207 Aspinwall Avenue — 232-0750	10	9				
Patrick J. Ward, Jr.	2 Linden Street — 232-1451	10	7				
John N. Wilson	41 Bowker Street — 277-1367	10	7				
<b>Term Expires 1979</b>							
Dorothy Bruno	82 Brook Street — 232-3646	10	10				
Wendell G. Campbell	65 Aspinwall Avenue — 277-9424	10	10				
Thomas C. Robinson	41 Brook Street — 232-4981	10	10				
George R. Walsh	15 Hurd Road — 277-7575	10	6				

\*Resigned

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<b>PRECINCT 5</b>							
<b>Term Expires 1977</b>							
Thomas P. Condon	210 Chestnut Street — 277-1910	10	8				
Brian L. Conry	23 Kendall Street — 277-3393	10	8				
James P. Duggan	112 High Street — 277-5798	10	9				
Mary J. Harris	102 Franklin Street — 277-8610	10	6				
Samuel E. Shaw, II	76 High Street — 277-8729	10	10				
<b>Term Expires 1978</b>							
David A. Coleman	116 Chestnut Street — 734-4561	10	8				
Gordon Francis Lupien	55 Irving Street — 232-0277	10	9				
*Agnes Rogers	212 High Street — 731-3291	10	9				
*Claire S. Sweeney	38 Jamaica Road — 566-1421	10	6				
†John J. Casey	86 Chestnut Street — 232-8888	3	2				
<b>Term Expires 1979</b>							
Francis P. Cavanaugh	4 Franklin Court — 277-6977	10	5				
John J. Doherty	85 Highland Road — 277-1858	10	9				
Joan Hertzmark	14 Milton Road — 232-8461	10	9				
Francis E. McCone	52 Chestnut Street — 566-2550	10	4				
John P. McElroy	163 Walnut Street — 277-8512	10	10				
<b>PRECINCT 6</b>							
<b>Term Expires 1977</b>							
Francis J. Hickey	124 Davis Avenue — 734-3468	10	10				
Marjorie V. Hickey	77 Brington Road — 232-7160	10	9				
Virginia W. LaPlante	58 Welland Road — 566-7067	10	10				
Natalie G. Zuckerman	25 Stanton Road — 734-9597	10	9				
Walter Zuckerman	25 Stanton Road — 734-9597	10	10				
<b>Term Expires 1978</b>							
Maureen Griffin	11 White Place — 734-3379	10	8				
Marjorie A. Hewitt	43 Waverly Street — 277-5257	10	7				
Sheila M. Kaplan	26 Davis Avenue — 734-3841	10	8				
Marguerite Theresa Lipman	432 Washington Street — 738-4777	10	10				
William F. Norris, Jr.	14 Thayer Street — 232-0028	10	5				
<b>Term Expires 1979</b>							
Carl Dreyfus	58 Welland Road — 566-7067	10	10				
Daniel F. Ford	49 Davis Avenue — 277-5311	10	8				
Stephen I. Lipman	432 Washington Street — 738-4777	10	10				
Gerald S. Parker	12 Lowell Road — 734-1196	10	10				
†Robert E. Ransom	5 Davis Avenue — 739-1923	5	1				
<b>PRECINCT 7</b>							
<b>Term Expires 1977</b>							
James M. Berenson	53 Harvard Avenue — 232-6723	10	7				
Norman B. Cohen	41 Park Street — 277-3115	10	8				
Martin H. Rabinovitz	49 Alton Place — 734-7716	10	8				
Joseph Robinson	6 Alton Court — 566-2094	10	6				
Seymour A. Ziskend	24 Littell Road — 232-5295	10	4				
<b>Term Expires 1978</b>							
Philip F. Duggan	37 Harvard Avenue — 566-3368	10	6				
William A. Feder	22 Alton Court — 232-3887	10	2				
Louis I. Novakoff	1371 Beacon Street — 566-4205	10	6				
Gloria B. Vokonas	47 Alton Place — 734-4950	10	4				
<b>Term Expires 1979</b>							
Leanora M. Feder	22 Alton Court — 232-3887	10	2				
Carol Gelb	18 Alton Place — 734-8479	10	8				
Alan P. Gottlieb	125 Park Street — 731-2764	10	0				
Joan E. Sherman	15 Auburn Place — 731-2063	10	10				
*Roger W. Stern	30 Stearns Road — 277-4261	10	10				
<b>PRECINCT 8</b>							
<b>Term Expires 1977</b>							
Craig Bolon	127 Fuller Street — 277-0280	10	9				
*Bernard E. Edelstein	131 Fuller Street — 734-2093	10	10				
Herbert N. Goodwin	47 Manchester Road — 731-2615	10	7				
Ralph B. Levy	79 Beals Street — 566-6233	10	10				
Stuart H. Shapiro	87 Fuller Street — 738-1733	10	5				
<b>Term Expires 1978</b>							
Eli Korisky	11 Naples Road — 566-0141	10	4				
Adriane G. Levy	79 Beals Street — 566-6233	10	7				
John F. Spillane	99 Stedman Street — 566-6428	10	10				
Benjamin Stolow	92 Beals Street — 277-3956	10	5				
Abraham J. Zimmerman	10 Bradford Terrace — 566-1917	10	8				

\*Resigned



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<b>Term Expires 1979</b>				<b>PRECINCT 13</b>			
Judith B. Bolon	127 Fuller Street — 277-0280	10	9	<b>Term Expires 1977</b>			
Mark A. Neckes	20 Stedman Street — 734-7999	10	1	David Adelson	375 Clinton Road — 731-0622	10	10
Jack M. Novack	82 Stedman Street — 277-5859	10	7	Estelle Katz	1902 Beacon Street — 566-3457	10	8
Leon Rubin	40 Babcock Street — 232-7252	10	10	Elaine R. Koretsky	756 Washington Street — 232-1636	10	5
Lester S. Sneirson	119 Fuller Street — 277-1031	10	8	Joseph I. Sargon	59 Corey Road — 232-5070	10	9
				Jean C. Stanbury	43 Circuit Road — 277-3545	10	10
<b>PRECINCT 9</b>				<b>Term Expires 1978</b>			
<b>Term Expires 1977</b>				Maurice Alkon	724 Washington Street — 277-1671	10	10
Claudette J. Markell	40 Coolidge Street — 566-3720	10	9	Thomas S. Kahn	27 Willow Crescent — 232-6630	10	10
Stanley N. Rabinovitz	117 Thorndike Street — 734-2255	10	8	Haskell A. Kassler	17 Kilsyth Road — 277-4114	10	6
Albert A. Silverman	82 Thorndike Street — 277-6742	10	9	Mark A. Michelson	78 Evans Road — 734-9290	10	10
Sidney Weinberg	103 Abbottsford Road — 566-7444	10	10	Mary B. Muse	439 Chestnut Hill Ave. — 277-3031	10	8
Stanley Zoll	95 Winchester Street — 232-4563	10	7	<b>Term Expires 1979</b>			
<b>Term Expires 1978</b>				*Susan J. Goldberg	15 Warwick Road — 734-9866	10	10
Harvey L. Koretsky	48 Winchester Street — 734-4313	10	10	Mary Kelligrew Kassler	17 Kilsyth Road — 277-4114	10	9
J. Archer O'Reilly, III	7 Manton Terrace — 734-6774	10	10	Marianne D. Pitkin	29 Williston Road — 731-5169	10	10
Ethel F. Pepper	32 Thorndike Street — 277-2476	10	10	Judith A. Smith	77 Evans Road — 734-5621	10	9
Esther G. Saloman	76 Winchester Street — 277-4090	10	9	Claire R. Waldman	63 Cleveland Road — 277-1005	10	9
Morris S. Shubow	96 Lawton Street — 731-1194	10	9	<b>*Resigned</b>			
<b>Term Expires 1979</b>				<b>PRECINCT 14</b>			
MacDonald Barr	60 Verndale Street — 734-5386	10	9	<b>†James J. Baxter</b>			
M. Carolyn Dempsey	81A Winchester Street — 738-4057	10	8	George V. Brown, Jr.	32 Eliot Crescent — 277-6960	7	7
Louis M. Flashenberg	100 Centre Street — 566-3388	10	10	Lorraine H. Fay	167 Reservoir Road — 277-8800	10	8
Zvi A. Sesling	82 Thorndike Street — 731-6558	10	10	Dorothy M. Heffernan	15 Whitney Street — 731-0832	10	9
Bernice R. Speen	42 Russell Street — 734-0007	10	7	Donald J. Moore, Jr.	28 Eliot Street — 232-2324	10	9
<b>PRECINCT 10</b>					125 Rockwood Street — 734-4962	10	9
<b>Term Expires 1977</b>				<b>Term Expires 1978</b>			
*Dennis G. Fitzgerald	648 Washington Street — 566-5324	7	7	*Kevin J. Connolly	55 Meadowbrook Road — 566-5419	7	4
Anne A. Jackson	59 Griggs Road — 232-9458	10	10	Walter E. Elcock	59 Codman Road — 566-4804	10	9
Robert Kramer	63 Griggs Road — 566-5911	10	10	Michael J. Galatis	666 Chestnut Hill Ave. — 277-1387	10	3
Edward Lowenstein	42 Griggs Terrace — 277-6327	10	5	Shepard A. Spunt	177 Reservoir Road — 277-7265	10	10
Henry T. Wiggin	151 Tappan Street — 277-8972	10	10	*James O. Welch, Jr.	52 Hedge Road — 277-4190	8	0
†Michael J. Kraus	87 Gardner Road — 731-0226	3	3	<b>Term Expires 1979</b>			
<b>Term Expires 1978</b>				Robert L. Ash	39 Dale Street — 734-2181	10	10
Susan B. Chipman	537 Washington Street — 734-8276	10	9	Jean D. Berg	50 Sargent Beechwood — 734-8358	10	10
Juan M. Cofield	165 Winthrop Road — 232-1085	10	9	Mary Jo Dow	71 Leicester Street — 566-5577	10	9
Sidney Herman	97 Somerset Road — 232-7239	10	4	Mary E. Larkin	286 Clyde Street — 734-2755	10	9
Laurence Kragan Koff	40 Griggs Terrace — 738-1224	10	8	Patricia Ostrander	393 Walnut Street — 731-1447	10	9
Elaine L. Novakoff	200 Gardner Road — 277-0493	10	9	<b>*Resigned</b>			
<b>Term Expires 1979</b>				<b>†Elected until next election</b>			
Roy Howard Brown	50 Griggs Road — 734-2356	10	10	<b>PRECINCT 15</b>			
Stephen C. Ford	90 Marion Street — 738-0032	10	8	<b>Term Expires 1977</b>			
Leonora S. Rosen	24 Griggs Road — 277-5242	10	7	Barbara J. Coffin	677 Hammond Street — 734-2068	10	8
Judith H. Rosenberg	104 Gardner Road — 734-4270	10	9	Luster T. Delany	965 Hammond Street — 566-7645	10	10
Max M. Tisser	64A University Road — 277-4225	10	10	Albert M. Fortier, Jr.	90 Craftsland Road — 277-2572	10	10
<b>*Resigned</b>				Morton Robert Godine	9 Cary Road — 566-3712	10	8
<b>†Elected until next annual election</b>				Arnold Zieff	51 Alberta Road — 469-9053	10	9
<b>PRECINCT 11</b>				<b>Term Expires 1978</b>			
<b>Term Expires 1977</b>				Harrison P. Bridge	50 Fernwood Road — 277-0506	10	10
Stella B. Greenfield	2 Mason Terrace — 232-0205	10	9	Diane G. Dalton	421 Heath Street — 731-1548	10	9
Natalie L. Rothstein	57 York Terrace — 232-4927	10	8	Lloyd G. Glazer	150 Shaw Road — 731-0021	10	10
Frederick S. Sharff	315 Mason Terrace — 734-8699	10	10	Charlotte Litt	420 Newton Street — 734-2817	10	9
Shirley Ann Sharff	315 Mason Terrace — 734-8699	10	10	Francis G. Shaw	272 Woodland Road — 566-4683	10	5
Shirley Sidd	148 Mason Terrace — 232-2170	10	10	<b>Term Expires 1979</b>			
<b>Term Expires 1978</b>				John M. Hall	157 Clyde Street — 277-7693	10	10
Anne Baram	1530 Beacon Street — 734-1431	10	5	William J. Hirshom	141 Beverly Road — 469-9222	10	10
Maurice Davis	1550 Beacon Street — 734-8614	10	10	Joseph P. Richardson	114 Clyde Street — 277-9328	10	6
Julian Edelman	99 Jordan Road — 232-9174	10	8	Deborah D. Rudman	320 Woodland Road — 277-3551	10	10
Raymond Herman	211 Mason Terrace — 232-5566	10	9	Anne N. Baybutt Winslow	74 Fernwood Road — 277-5585	10	10
Isadore Levetin	1550 Beacon Street — 277-6816	10	2	<b>PRECINCT 16</b>			
<b>Term Expires 1979</b>				<b>Term Expires 1977</b>			
Bertram R. Alkon	84 Atherton Road — 566-4833	10	10	Mary Firestone	255 South Street — 469-0266	10	10
William Landau	100 Jordan Road — 734-6400	10	8	Bernard S. Kaplan	151 Payson Road — 469-9187	10	10
Tania R. Langerman	89 Jordan Road — 734-2005	10	8	*James H. Kurland	129 Payson Road — 469-0171	8	8
Myron Norman	149 Summit Avenue — 277-9002	10	7	Phyllis G. Ryack	503 V.F.W. Parkway — 469-0546	10	10
Thomas C. Novak	144 Jordan Road — 232-4982	10	10	Howard I. Wilgoren	383 Russett Road — 469-0162	10	10
<b>PRECINCT 12</b>				<b>Term Expires 1978</b>			
<b>Term Expires 1977</b>				Abbe Cohen	160 Bellingham Road — 738-6338	10	8
Benedict S. Alper	146 Tappan Street — 232-6435	10	10	Shalom Haase	37 Risley Road — 277-6463	10	10
Sumner J. Chertok	142 Clinton Road — 277-1454	10	5	Cyrus L. Jacobs	141 Bonad Road — 469-0050	10	9
Carl M. Sapers	26 Chesham Road — 734-3268	10	6	John J. Shea	26 Clearwater Road — 469-0847	10	10
Lawrence D. Shubow	13 Regent Circle — 734-1223	10	4	Allan Tofias	110 Wallis Road — 469-9262	10	10
Stanley Shuman	169 Clark Road — 277-1663	10	5	<b>Term Expires 1979</b>			
<b>Term Expires 1978</b>				Ruth D. Dorfman	90 Risley Road — 232-1330	10	10
John Connorton	181 Clark Road — 277-1780	10	8	Jonathan S. Fine	81 South Street — 469-9747	10	10
Joan B. Lamphier	312 Tappan Street — 734-7362	10	10	Michael S. Selib	5 Leland Road — 738-1122	10	10
Gretchen Mamis	106 Colbourne Crescent — 734-2123	10	9	Herbert L. Shivek	86 Woodcliff Road — 469-0746	10	8
†James W. Schlesinger	215 Clark Road — 232-5123	10	10	Arthur C. Stern, Jr.	59 Thornton Road — 469-9050	10	10
Joel S. Weinberg	16 Garrison Road — 232-2860	10	10	<b>*Resigned</b>			
<b>Term Expires 1979</b>				<b>Gertrude C. Freedman</b>			
Gertrude C. Freedman	33 Beaconsfield Road — 734-3082	10	9	Garabed Kayakachioian	317 Clark Road — 277-0362	10	10
Patricia C. Libbey	322 Tappan Street — 232-7278	10	10	David I. Sargon	295 Clark Road — 277-0212	10	7
Laura B. Schlesinger	215 Clark Road — 232-5123	10	10	<b>*Elected until next annual election</b>			

**1976 Annual and  
Special Town Meeting  
Sessions**

*Home Phone      Eligible      Attended*  
*to Attend*

**AT LARGE**

1. Members from Brookline in General Court:			
Jack H. Backman, Sen.	61 Arlington Road — 734-5083	10	8
John A. Businger, Rep.	33 St. Paul Street — 277-2550	10	8
James Segel	41 Ackers Avenue — 738-7133	10	9
2. The Moderator:			
Justin L. Wyner	33 Martha's Lane — 566-0427	10	10
3. The Town Clerk:			
John F. Kendrick	31 Weybridge Lane — 738-4333	10	10
4. The Selectmen:			
Robert C. Cochrane, Jr.	22 Borland Street — 277-7952	10	10
Stephen B. Goldenberg	342 Newton Street — 738-8471	10	10
Eleanor Myerson	175 Rawson Road — 232-0902	10	10
Edward Novakoff	200 Gardner Road — 277-0493	10	10
Judah M. Stone	117 Gardner Road — 232-9624	10	10
5. The Town Treasurer:			
Allan Sidd	148 Mason Terrace — 232-2170	10	10

**\*The Chairmen of each of the following Boards:**

6. Of the Assessors:			
Francis E. Ryan	67 Griggs Road — 232-9000	1	1
7. Of the School Committee:			
Ann M. Wacker	87 Perry Street — 734-0944	1	1
8. Of the Trustees of the Public Library:			
Emilie L. Drooker	20 Edgehill Road — 277-8759	1	0
9. Of the Trustees of the Walnut Hills Cemetery:			
Walter E. Palmer	24 Spooner Road — 734-1126	1	0
10. Of the Planning Board:			
Herbert L. Shivek	86 Woodcliff Road — 469-0746	1	1
11. Of the Committee on Planting Trees:			
Hamilton Coolidge	235 Goddard Avenue — 232-7848	1	0
12. Of the Registrars of Voters:			
William B. Hickey	77 Brington Road — 232-7160	1	0
13. Of the Personnel Board:			
Franklin Wyman, Jr.	83 Lee Street — 734-6652	1	1
14. Of the Park and Recreation Commission:			
Michal Hammerman	46 Verndale Street — 232-2202	1	1
15. Of the Advisory Committee:			
Kenneth M. Nelson	29 Copley Street — 731-5022	1	1

\*Until March 31, 1976





# GENERAL GOVERNMENT

## Town Clerk



Secretary of State Paul Guzzi presented the "America Vote" award to the Town and Town Clerk John F. Kendrick for outstanding voter turnout and voter registration in the November 1976 election.

The year 1976 witnessed the retirement of Thomas F. Larkin. Tom had been with the Town Clerk's Office for twenty years. His dedication to serving the citizens of Brookline will remain as a hallmark and a model for others to follow. His cheerful and friendly manner will be missed.

John F. Kendrick was elected Town Clerk and assumed his new responsibilities on March 22, 1976. Jack had served as Assistant Town Clerk prior to his election.

William F. Sullivan was appointed Assistant Town Clerk completing the transition. Mr. Sullivan's business background, and his many years of participation in Town government, have added a new dimension to the department's operation.

In 1976, the Annual Town Meeting and four Special Town Meetings were held. The Annual Town Meeting contained 37 Articles, and there were four Articles for the Special Town Meeting held within the Annual Meeting. After six sessions the Spring meeting was dissolved.

A Special Town Meeting, with seven Articles, was held on June 30, 1976, and was dissolved the same evening. A second Special Town Meeting, with three Articles, was held on October 26, 1976 and was dissolved the same evening. A third Special Town Meeting with 15 Articles, was begun on November 16, 1976 and was dissolved after two sessions on November 18, 1976.

The Town Election was held on March 16, 1976 with 9,718 voters participating, or 30.175% of the registered voters.

There were 333 births recorded for the year, pending final returns from the City of Boston. There were 779 deaths recorded of which 624 were Brookline residents. There were 482 marriage intentions filed and 633 marriages recorded for the year.

Department receipts totaled \$43,781.13 which exceeded 1975 revenue by \$1,491.86. The receipts were as follows:

Marriage Intentions.....	\$ 1,832.00
Commercial Code Recordings & Terminations.....	2,324.25
Renewal of Gasoline Permits.....	42.00
Fishing and Hunting Licenses.....	21,492.85
Certified Copies of Records.....	6,495.77
Voter's Certificates.....	126.50
Business Certificates.....	159.13
Miscellaneous Receipts.....	2,001.63
Dog Licenses.....	9,307.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$43,781.13</b>

### Dog Licenses

1,387 Males @ \$3.00.....	\$ 4,161.00
345 Females @ \$6.00.....	2,070.00
997 Spayed Females @ \$3.00.....	2,991.00
1 Kennel @ \$50.00.....	50.00
1 Kennel @ \$25.00.....	25.00
1 Kennel @ \$10.00.....	10.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 9,307.00</b>
Paid to Norfolk County.....	\$ 8,352.05
Paid to Town Treasurer.....	954.95
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 9,307.00</b>

### Conservation Licenses

Fish and Game Licenses issued during 1976 — 2,587.....	\$21,492.85
Paid to Division of Fisheries and Games.....	\$20,878.25
Paid to Town Treasurer.....	614.60
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$21,492.85</b>

## Registration of Voters

Apathy may have been prevalent throughout the country relative to the electoral process but that was hardly the case here in Brookline. Our rolls of registered voters increased to 35,856, the largest number in the town's history.

To encourage registration of voters we entered a nation-wide competition called America 'Vote '76. With the cooperation of the business community literature was distributed throughout the town and extra registration sessions were held that were well publicized in the media. At the close of the year it was announced that the Town of Brookline came in fifth in this competition. This is a real tribute not only to those that promoted participation

but, more importantly, to the many thousands of new registrants and everyone that voted on November 2.

During the year 6,264 voters moved to new addresses which included 2,968 voters who moved within the Town and 3,296 voters who left Brookline. We registered 10,026 new voters.

The Annual Street List revealed the following statistics:

Population.....	51,332
Males.....	22,176
Females.....	29,156

## Town Counsel

### Personal Injury and Property Damage Suits

In 1976, sixty-three personal injury and property damage suits against the town were disposed of by settlement or by Court order. The table below sets forth the important facts concerning these cases.

<i>No. of Cases</i>	<i>Amount of All Claims</i>	<i>Amount of All Settlements</i>
63	\$926,993.82	\$50,334.82

### General Litigation Against the Town

Nineteen cases involving non-personal injury and non-property damage issues were either dismissed or judgments were entered in favor of the town. In addition, eleven cases concerning tax title property were pending in the Land Court. Four of these cases were resolved in favor of the town. Ten by-law, building code and sanitary code violation cases were successfully prosecuted.

### Judicial Review of Administrative Action

Certain administrative action by Brookline agencies and officials is considered judicial in nature because it determines the rights and duties of property owners and others. Examples of quasi-judicial action by Brookline agencies and officials are zoning appeals, through the Board of Appeals; retirement and civil service determinations; licensing decisions by the Selectmen and certain determinations concerning education by the School Committee. In 1976, thirty-two appeals from administrative determinations were reviewed either by the Court or by a state agency. Town Counsel's Office represented the interests of the town in all of these cases.

### Other Legal Services

In 1976, 52 formal and 120 informal legal opinions were rendered. Over two hundred contracts were reviewed and approved. Claims were filed for the town in six bankruptcy proceedings. The town recovered \$30,530.60 for damage to town property. During 1976, investigations were made under the supervision of Town Counsel's Office concerning tort claims against the town, retirement and benefits claims against the town and alleged employee misconduct.

### Town Meetings

One of the most important duties of Town Counsel is to provide impartial assistance to town officers, employees and citizens in the preparation of Town Meeting articles and motions.

The Town Meeting represents the legislative function of Town Government. Town Counsel has established a policy of impartial assistance and advice for all citizens and officials who are interested in participation in the Town Meeting process. Once articles are submitted for a particular meeting, counsel reviews them as to form and legality. The final warrant is also reviewed.

Prior to each Town Meeting, motions for each article in the Warrant are drawn and the quantum of vote required for passage of each motion is either noted on the motion or set forth in a letter to the Moderator. All questions of law, either raised by an official or a citizen or anticipated by counsel, are researched and prepared for presentation to the meeting. Copies of this basic information are usually provided each Selectman, the Advisory Com-



mittee and interested parties prior to the meeting. Each Town Meeting offers a unique and interesting challenge to counsel.

### **General Advice**

During the year, informal advice and assistance is rendered to town officials and employees with regard to the operation of the various departments. There are conferences and telephone calls. There are formal and informal meetings. Town Counsel reviews the agenda for each Selectmen's meeting and attends the meeting when his assistance and comments are required or are requested.

### **Board of Assessors**

There are over three hundred appeals pending in the Appellate Tax Board from assessments made by the Board of Assessors. Town Counsel, acting through special counsel, represents the Assessors

in all hearings before the Appellate Tax Board. In addition, Town Counsel represented the town in its appeal from the 1976 Equalized Valuation established for Brookline by the State Tax Commission. The appeal, heard by the Appellate Tax Board, resulted in a finding for the town which reduced its equalized valuation by approximately fifty million dollars. This reduction will result in a substantial increase in state revenue fund distributions to the town in fiscal years 1978 and 1979.

### *Conclusion*

Both Senior Town Counsel and Assistant Town Counsel sincerely appreciate the opportunity to serve the town. The success experienced in 1976 is due, to a large degree, to the cooperation and assistance given to us by the officials, employees and citizens of Brookline.

## **Purchasing**

The level of the Purchasing Department's activity reflects the aggregate of the Town's requirements for materials, supplies, and equipment. In 1976 there were 13,137 purchase orders issued with a total value of \$3,209,764. A bidding calendar for major supply and equipment items was maintained in order to schedule the department's work load and coordinate the purchase of similar items required by more than one department. There were 183 advertised bids in the over-\$2,000 category during the year.

In March, the invoice auditing function which had been performed in the Purchasing Department was transferred to the Comptroller's Office with the dual objective of strengthening audit procedures and speeding up vendor payments. This change allowed the Purchasing Department to focus entirely on its primary objective, which is to maximize the value obtained from funds expended on supplies and equipment.

Bidding, contracting, and delivery of the various specialized categories of furniture and equipment required for the renovated Devotion School was successfully phased to coincide with the construction and opening schedules. Equipping a school requires a major effort and includes such diverse items as auditorium seating, cafeteria equipment, gymnastic equipment, industrial arts and homemaking equipment, library equipment, and

science equipment, as well as classroom and office furniture.

Heating oil was deregulated by the Federal government during 1976. Consequently all Town and School consumption estimates were reviewed and a combined bid was opened in December. The previous bid for heating oil was taken before the 1973 oil embargo and the resulting contracts were voided by the Mandatory Petroleum Allocation and Price Regulations which remained in effect until 1976. In spite of the Town's favorable discount schedule obtained by the 1976 bid, the price of oil continues its inexorable rise.

As a member of the Massachusetts League of Cities and Towns Cooperative Purchasing Task Force, the Purchasing Department played a significant role in the development of new statewide contracts for nineteen basic items of audiovisual equipment. It was estimated that the Town saved an average of 13% on items purchased through these contracts. Other communities were able to save even more as a result of this cooperative effort. The Town also participated in a regional cooperative bid for rock salt with the Towns of Arlington, Belmont, Watertown, and Weston and the Cities of Cambridge, Waltham, and Newton. By combining quantities, each community benefited from a lower bulk price.

## Personnel Board

Collective bargaining got off to an early start in 1976, beginning with the School Department clerical and custodial employees bargaining units for which the Personnel Board had been designated as collective bargaining agent by the School Committee in 1975. Contracts with these unions were settled in time for funding by the 1976 Annual Town Meeting. More importantly, a modest beginning was made in eliminating some of the unjustifiable provisions in these contracts that understandably were — as some continue to be — sources of dissatisfaction for other Town clerical and custodial employees and reasons for costly whipsawing attempts by their union.

The right of the School Committee to designate the Personnel Board as its bargaining agent was questioned early in the year by the custodians' union in a case before the Mass. Labor Relations Commission. This attempt failed when the Commission's opinion indicated that the School Committee's action was a fully legal and proper one. Despite this, later in the year a majority of the School Committee voted to terminate the designation of the Personnel Board as its collective bargaining agent. This issue is considered so important to responsible settlements and their impact on the tax rate that it will be the subject matter of an article on the warrant for the 1977 Annual Town Meeting.

The Advisory Committee and the Town Meeting on two occasions in 1976 — the Annual Town Meeting and the June 30, 1976 Special Town Meeting — refused to accept recommendations of the Personnel Board relative to upgrading certain classifications in the Pay Plan. It was the opinion of the Advisory Committee that any future adjustments should be preceded by a thorough study of the Classification and Pay Plan. To accomplish this study, the Personnel Board and the Board of Selectmen employed the firm of Hay Associates, one of the outstanding consulting firms in the compensation field. The results of this review will be available in 1977.

On April 6, 1976, at a Special Town Meeting within the Annual Town Meeting, the collective bargaining agreement with the Staff Association of the Public Library of Brookline for the period July 1,

1975-June 30, 1977 was funded. The contract was settled basically on the same terms as contracts for the same period that had been settled and funded in 1975. The Advisory Committee recommended against funding the contract — the first such recommendation by this Committee in history. The Committee's move was predicated on the belief that the union refused to bargain on a give and take basis. This position was focused on one issue — which will be a Town proposal again, but one which the Personnel Board did not feel should prevent funding the agreement in 1976. Although the contract was eventually funded, the position of the Advisory Committee illustrates the growing awareness of more segments of the Town's citizenry that wage and fringe benefits constitute the largest single cost factor in the Town's budget and that now, more than ever, responsibility, restraint and reasonableness will have to characterize collective bargaining.

The June 30, 1976 Special Town Meeting funded several agreements. Contracts effective July 1, 1975 with the Police and Fire Units, settled after fact finding in both cases, were approved generally on terms in line with previously approved FY 76 contracts. In addition, FY 77 contract costs consisting of wage rate changes ranging from 4.0% to 5.5% for all bargaining units with the exception of the firefighters were presented and approved. These increases were significantly below the increase in the cost-of-living, were the smallest increases in many years and were towards the bottom of the going range of increases being granted in other communities.

In November a Special Town Meeting approved a FY 77 wage increase for firefighters in line with the previously approved increase for police officers. In addition, night differential pay for firefighters was approved and funded for the first time. Of significance was the fact that the agreement with the firefighters, as well as the one with the police officers, was worked out without third party involvement for the first time in several rounds of bargaining. The Personnel Board is hopeful that this is an indicator of future intensive and fruitful bargaining by employee unions with the Personnel Board and of less reliance on third parties.



# PUBLIC SAFETY

## Police Department

### General Activities

The Table of Organization of the Police Department was adjusted at the 1976 Annual Town Meeting, reflecting a decrease of four Patrolmen, and is presently made up of the Chief, four Captains, eight Lieutenants, fifteen Sergeants and one hundred twenty-three Patrolmen. Eight members of the Department retired during the year.

Fifty-seven police officers were commended in Special Orders by the Chief of Police for the performance of excellent or meritorious police work.

The Police arrested 732 persons for various "Part I" and "Part II" Crimes, including 124 juveniles. The Department also took into protective custody 389 persons.

As a result of a vote by the Board of Selectmen one member of the Detective Division was assigned to work with the Fire Department's Arson Squad on a regular basis, to be available whenever needed.

### PART I CRIMES

As Reported to the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting Division

	1975	1976	% Change
Homicide.....	0	0	0
Forcible Rape.....	16	13	-18.8
Robbery.....	128	98	-23.4
Aggrav. Assault.....	52	46	-11.5
Burglary.....	1539	1330	-13.6
Larceny.....	1984	1885	- 5
Auto Theft.....	1253	1143	-8.9
Total.....	4972	4515	-9.9%

Sworn personnel issued 7,408 citations for hazardous moving motor vehicle violations and 165,638 parking citations.

There were 1,505 motor vehicle accidents reported to the Department, of which 337 involved personal injury. Six fatalities resulted from motor vehicle accidents. Accidents to pedestrians numbered 51, with 29 accidents involving bicyclists.

Income from parking meters amounted to \$157,198.15. Fines collected by the Office of the Clerk of the Brookline Municipal Court and forwarded to the Town Treasurer amounted to



*Bicycle safety instruction was conducted by the Police Department in the Brookline schools.*

\$268,301.10. The greatest portion of this money came from parking citation fines.

The Department received a fully equipped police car from the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau. It is being utilized in the enforcement of the motor vehicle laws and in accident investigation.

The Hackney Unit issued 719 Hackney Licenses during the year.

The Dog Control Officers investigated 1,546 incidents concerning dogs and issued 407 citations for violations of the Town's Dog Control by-law. They also responded to 737 other incidents, of which 701 were animal related.

The Police transported 1876 emergency medical cases to area hospitals during 1976.

The Community Relations Division continued its function of meeting with neighborhood associations and visiting the schools throughout the Town to inform the citizens of various crime prevention techniques. The Division distributed decals to the taxicabs registered in the Town in an attempt to make the citizens aware of the civilian communication system that has been established between the cabs and the Police Department. Arrests have been made during the year as the result of observations made by the cab operators and information given to the Police.



*At no cost to the Town, the Police Department received a new traffic safety vehicle from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

A citizen's band radio base station was provided to the Department by the Massachusetts Civil Defense Agency. Its purpose is to improve safety on highways and reduce crime by increasing the number of persons reporting incidents to the Police. The users of the system will take no direct action, however; they are providing additional eyes and ears to the Police.

The Massachusetts Police Institute is updating the Department's Rules and Regulations in a manual that will include policies and procedures and duties by rank and assignment. The purpose of the manual is to establish the principles for the management of the Police Department, and the standards of behavior to which every member of the Department shall be held accountable. Its goals are to increase the quality of police service, to elevate the standards of the profession and to strengthen the public's confidence in law enforcement. This project is being done at no cost to the Town.

### **Training**

All members of the Police Department completed a 24-hour course in personal safety, basic life support and cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and have been certified as 'First Responders.'

All sworn personnel qualified in the use of firearms either at Camp Curtis Guild, Wakefield, or at the Boston Police Range, Moon Island.

Eight patrolmen graduated from the Boston Police Academy's Regional Recruit School. They completed a 12-week program as prescribed by the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council.

Members of the Department attended the following courses, most of which were sponsored by the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council,

at no cost to the Town. Ten ranking officers attended a seminar on recent changes in the motor vehicle law and Supreme Court decisions that affect the police. Three officers attended a course in background investigations. Three members attended a seminar concerning bombing incidents. One detective attended a course in advanced latent fingerprints and another detective completed an arson investigation school. One of the department's C.P.R. and Basic Life Support instructors attended a course for instructor trainers. The Police Department's Armorer attended a firearms instructor school at Camp Curtis Guild.

Seven college students, all residents of the Town, were trained as Park Police Security Interns. They were employed during the summer months to prevent vandalism in the Town's parks, playgrounds and schools.

The educational attainments of sworn personnel continued to rise as 46 members of the Police Department attended college on their own time. Most of the officers are majoring in Criminal Justice. Two members have received Master's Degrees, 12 have earned Bachelor's Degrees and 16 have attained Associate of Science Degrees.

### **Auxiliary Police**

There are 12 members of the Brookline Auxiliary Police. These are unpaid volunteers who assist the regular officers in various duties. Most of their duties are performed on Friday and Saturday nights, especially in the prevention of vandalism. They are uniformed and patrol in their own cars. They are provided with portable radio equipment in order that they may maintain constant communication with Police Headquarters. They are a valuable asset to the Police Department.



## Fire Department

During 1976 the Fire Department responded to 5,697 incidents, an increase of 596 over the previous year. Approximately sixty percent of the total response was for fire or fire related emergencies, and the remaining forty percent were medical emergencies. Included in this total were nine multiple alarm fires and sixteen working fires. On the afternoon of January 6, 1976 three alarms were struck for a fire of undetermined and suspicious origin at St. Paul's Church, one of the oldest in Brookline and considered by many to be an architectural gem. Mutual Aid was rendered to the cities of Boston and Newton, and in turn Brookline received coverage and assistance from these same cities. The total valuation of buildings where fires occurred was \$81,235,067. The estimated fire loss for the year totaled \$921,671, which was \$370,463 less than the previous year.

During 1976 one Captain, two Lieutenants, five Fire Fighters, and one Fire Alarm Operator retired. One Fire Fighter resigned. Twenty-three Fire Fighters were appointed to fill existing vacancies; four Fire Fighters were promoted to the rank of Lieutenant; one Lieutenant to the rank of Captain; and one Captain to the rank of Deputy Chief.

### Fire Prevention Division

The inspectors assigned to the division and fire company personnel made over 4,000 inspections covering all types of occupancies and new construction. Schools, hospitals, nursing homes, day care centers, lodging houses, and hotels were inspected, as required by law, and the required reports and forms were forwarded to the local or state agencies involved. The division also issued permits for the storage of flammable fluids, solids, and gases, oil burners, and tanks, welding and cutting operations; issued certificates of flame-proofing for interior decorations and carpeting.

Members of the division are required to conduct investigations, with the State Fire Marshal's and District Attorney's Offices, of all fires of undetermined suspicious, or unknown origin. Because of an increase in the number of suspicious, undetermined, and set fires, the Board of Selectmen in January authorized the formation of a combined fire-police arson unit; under the command of the Deputy Chief in charge of the Fire Prevention Division. The unit became operational in March and the program has proven to be successful; eleven arrests, six convictions, three indictments, and two held for probable cause.

During Fire Prevention Week, personnel visited every public and private elementary school in the town, and quarterly fire exit drills were also conducted at the schools.

Another major activity of the Division is coordination and liaison with other departments and agencies in the town.

### Training and Education Division

During the latter part of 1976 the Training Division was reorganized and placed under the command of a Deputy Chief assisted by a Lieutenant.

Continuous and systematic training is given to all Fire Fighters at either the Hammond Street facility, or while on duty at the various station houses. All newly appointed Fire Fighters attended training classes prior to assignment. Approximately thirty members attended Fire Science classes at either Boston State College, Massachusetts Bay Community College, or Bunker Hill Community College.





*New pumping engine placed in service as Engine 7 at Washington Square.*

### **Apparatus and Equipment**

On April 26, 1976 the Department received and placed into service a new 1250 G.P.M. pumping engine. This unit was designated as Engine #7, assigned to the Washington Square area, and replaces a unit that was over twenty years old. Town Meeting also appropriated funds — \$122,558 — to purchase a new ladder truck to replace a vehicle which has been in front line service for twenty-one years. The manufacturer has indicated that the department can expect delivery late in 1977 or early 1978. All apparatus and major equipment is replaced in accordance with a planned replacement schedule or master plan developed several years ago.

### **Emergency Medical Services**

The department still continues to work closely with the Health Department to develop a plan to assure that all citizens of the town receive proper and prompt emergency medical care. During 1976 the department responded to 2,633 calls for aid and assistance. The department has been involved

in this program for approximately three years, and yet, as we approach the final date (7/1/77) for full implementation of the Emergency Medical Services statute, the situation remains unresolved in Brookline. Fire Department personnel were trained in compliance with Chapter 795 of the General Laws — Cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, first aid. Currently the department has 40 licensed Emergency Medical Technicians.

### **Fire Alarm and Wire Division**

The Wire Division placed 8,213 feet of multi conductor cable in service during 1976. Thirteen fire boxes were added to the Town system. Nine of these were Master boxes connected to schools, churches, and multi-story buildings in accordance with code requirements. In 1976 there were 14 accidents involving fire alarm pedestals that resulted in \$3,550 damages being assessed to insurance companies with eventual return to the General Fund. Progress on the Radio System improvements program continues; tests and inspections have helped to keep the system in working order.

## **Department of Transportation**

The Transportation Department consists of a Director, the Transportation Board, and a staff of three persons. The objectives of the Department are to provide leadership on all matters in the Town relating to the transportation of persons and goods, to maintain current transportation programs, and to develop innovative programs for the improvement of public and private transportation services in support of the quality of life in the Town.

### **Transportation Board**

The Transportation Board is a unique and innovative approach to the management of the great variety of transportation matters facing a small community in a large metropolitan area. Made up of six citizens, appointed by the Board of Selectmen for staggered three-year terms, the Transportation Board has completed two full years of operation. The Board has exclusive authority to adopt, alter and repeal traffic rules and regulations in the



Town, and may authorize the construction, installation and maintenance of traffic control devices.

The Board elected a new chairman in May of this year, Mr. Leo R. Minahan. The previous chairman, Mr. Robert E. Hillman continues to serve as a member of the Board, along with Mr. Sherman G. Sass, vice-chairman, and Mr. Arthur J. Eckman. The terms of two members, Mrs. Else Lewin and Mr. Larry Seder, expired this year and they retired from the Board after having served with distinction. The Selectmen subsequently appointed Mr. John P. Daley and Mr. James Berenson for three year terms.

The Transportation Board has adopted a regular pattern of public meetings on the first and third Monday evenings of each month. During the past year, the Board took action on over 70 regulatory matters, in addition to holding public discussion on a variety of matters including the Comprehensive Plan, MBTA operations, street classification, skateboards, and off-street parking. Additional citizen input is obtained from the members of several advisory committees dealing with public transportation, bicycles, parking, neighborhood circulation and commercial areas.

### **Transportation Planning**

The Transportation Department worked closely with the Planning Department in the preparation of the transportation section of the Comprehensive Plan, and with the Conservation Commission on the Open Space Plan. A draft Transportation Plan was initiated, and will be actively developed in the future. The Director regularly represents the Town on the Joint Regional Transportation Committee and maintains very close liaison with the MBTA and the Massachusetts Department of Public Works.

### **Public Transportation**

Major efforts of the Department have been directed to the improvement of public transportation in the Town. A detailed review of the location and adequacy of all bus stops was undertaken last year and will continue into next year. Suggested extension of Bus Route 66 to Harvard Square and Route 59 to Newton Centre have been initiated, as well as discussion relating to service on the Green Line.

Taxicabs continue to be regarded as a part of public transportation in Brookline. Considerable effort was devoted to the question of a taxi fare increase early in the year, and the operation of the two major companies and several public automobile licensees is continuously under scrutiny. The Red Cab Company and the Bay State Taxi Company have provided more than 3,000 hours of taxi cab

service without cost to the Town, to assist in the transportation of elderly and handicapped residents who would not otherwise have been served. This innovative approach provided more than 10,000 person-trips this year, many of which would have been paid for out of other public funds.

By far the most provocative transportation occurrence of the year was the action by the MBTA to eliminate the Minibus service which so many residents of the Town had come to rely upon. Emergency actions by the Board of Selectmen, coupled with a substantial amount of staff effort by the Department kept the service in continuous operation through 1976; its fate in 1977 depends upon future actions taken by the Advisory Committee and Town Meeting in providing the necessary funding. During 1976, approximately 22,000 person-trips were provided. Costs under MBTA operation were at the rate of \$44,300 per year; these costs have been reduced to approximately \$15,000 per year under Town operation.

### **Traffic Operations**

The Department continues to be concerned with the improvement of conditions on residential streets, but during 1976 the Department expanded its emphasis to include commercial areas, high accident locations and previous control commitments. The long delayed signal installation at Centre and Williams Streets was completed; the modernization of Harvard and Verndale Streets was completed; an exclusive pedestrian timing was placed in operation at Washington Square; the installation of school flashers was started, and the design work at Beacon and St. Mary's Streets was completed.

After considerable delay, the Massachusetts Department of Public Works has approved funding of approximately \$1 million for design and construction of improvements to seven intersections along Boylston Street, including the Town's highest accident location, Boylston Street and Chestnut Hill Avenue. It is anticipated that the design engineer will start work in January of 1977. Additional requests for funding under Urban Systems or other state and federal aid programs are still pending.

The staff of the Department maintains a continuous program of technical studies, data collection, engineering analysis and preliminary design as required by ongoing projects of the Department, the Transportation Board, and other Town departments. Close working relationships in particular have been established with the Planning and Public Works Departments in providing traffic engineering inputs for projects such as the Central Village, the Coolidge Corner Mall and Washington Square studies.

## **Pedestrians**

The program to improve pedestrian controls at signalized intersections continues. The timing change at Washington Square has helped, and design work on installation of pedestrian push-buttons has been completed, with bids due early in 1977. The elimination of pedestrian-vehicle conflicts at Coolidge Corner are included in the Beacon Street Mall Plan. Design of timing changes and installation of pedestrian push-buttons at Beacon and St. Mary's Streets has been completed and will be out to bid early in 1977. Timing changes at Harvard and Babcock Streets have been ordered and will be implemented by the Town's signal maintenance contractor.

## **Parking**

The Department is involved in several areas of concern regarding parking. Contacts with the Chamber of Commerce and individual merchants have resulted in the initiation of feasibility studies and preliminary design thinking in the four major commercial areas in the Town. The problems of commuters and other all-day parkers on residential streets has been alleviated by the installation of a two-hour parking prohibition on fifteen additional streets in the Town. Further actions and the use of residential parking permits are still under consideration. A great deal of investigation has gone into the potential provision of an increased supply of off-street parking spaces for overnight use in residential areas. It is anticipated that some form of implementation can be pursued in the near future.

The experimental use of parking meters with five hour and ten hour limits appears to have successfully accomplished the purpose of increasing the availability of parking to resident users and at the same time discouraging non-resident use. Limited expansion of this program is being recommended for next year.

## **Safety**

An annual toll of more than 2,000 traffic accidents per year continues in Brookline. The Transportation Department maintains a surveillance and listing of the high accident locations, and makes every effort to implement remedial measures. Unfortunately, the limitations of staff and funds do not provide for a very high level of activity in this area. The Bicycle Advisory Committee of the Transportation Board has completed a proposal for a Safety Education Program for bicycle users at elementary school, high school, and adult levels. Funding requests are anticipated to be submitted early in 1977.

## **Coordination**

The Department maintains day-to-day contact with the several Town departments and agencies which have transportation problems and activities, such as Planning, Public Works, Police Multi-Service Senior Center, Schools, Building, Parks, the Board of Appeals and Town Counsel. Requests from the Board of Selectmen are given priority, and staff work for the Transportation Board is continuous.

# **Building Department**

The Bicentennial year for our country was a most eventful year for the Building Department.

It was the first full calendar year that the Department operated under the Massachusetts State Building Code, which is the Code for all of the Commonwealth's municipalities, and is constantly under review.

The most important new task given to the local building departments by the State Code is that requiring issuance of certificates of inspection to places of assembly and multi-family structures. During 1976 emphasis was placed upon the inspection of theatres, restaurants, schools, function halls, hotels, and lodging and boarding houses. During 1977, we will commence a systematic inspection of apartment houses and other multi-dwelling unit structures.

Currently hearings are being held by the appropriate committee of the Legislature on bills which could return all of the aforementioned buildings to inspection by the Public Safety Department of the State. The Building Commissioner and his staff are diametrically opposed to this proposal. Inspections are now being performed more efficiently and effectively, without any increase in manpower. In addition, the Town receives the fees established by the State Building Code Commission for these inspections.

The past year was the first full year with the revised fee schedule which became effective in October of 1975. Fees collected for the above construction permits and for inspections in 1976 totaled \$45,470.70.





Exterior renovations to this home were part of the 1976 Central Village Program's housing improvement efforts.

During 1976 the volume and type of permits issued were:

Classification	Number of Permits	Estimated Cost
New wood & frame .....	8	\$ 174,275
New brick & stone .....	10	2,420,536
Alterations .....	440	2,355,275
Electric .....	438	443,912
Gasfitting .....	313	90,886
Plumbing .....	257	184,733
Elevator Certificates .....	350	—
Place of Assembly Inspection Certificates .....	161	—
		<hr/> \$4,950,086

The Department provided technical assistance to other departments and programs of the Town including; the Central Village Housing Rehabilitation Program, Code Enforcement Program, Rent Control Board, Health Department, Library, Fire Department, Board of Appeals, and Building Com-

mission. Wherever possible the Department coordinates its inspection activities with other Town agencies.

We regret the passing in 1976 of Robert E. O'Neil after a long illness. Bob, a most generous and compassionate individual, combined his technical knowledge with his desire to serve his fellow man. He was an effective and efficient building official.

In December 1976, Cicely Cuzner retired after more than a decade of service. Cicely will be sorely missed by all, especially the Building Commission, to which she provided secretarial and clerical skills during a most active construction period.

### Repairs to Town Buildings

During 1976, the Department supervised the maintenance and repair of 44 Town buildings having a valuation established by the Assessors of \$13,500,000.

In conjunction with the Historical Commission and Historical Society the Department effected major rehabilitation of and improvements to the Edward Devotion House and the Putterham School House for the Bicentennial celebration.

The Department supervised painting and other maintenance work performed by youths provided by the Human Relations-Youth Resources Programs. Major projects included the rehabilitation of Soule Recreation Center, Health Center, Fire Stations, and Main Library.

### Central Village Rehabilitation Program

The Central Village Rehabilitation Program, under the direction of the Building Commissioner, is supervised by a Program Coordinator appointed in late summer of 1976. The Program requires the constant monitoring and coordinating of neighborhood activities and the cooperation and participation of the residents.

A twenty-member Citizens' Advisory Committee has been instrumental in providing a close working relationship between Town agencies involved in the Program and the area residents. Members of the C.A.C. represent residents of the entire area, businesses, and community organizations.

In the fall of 1976 agreement was reached on the commencement of a systematic process of inspection for the more than 3,000 dwelling units in the area, which is expected to continue until 1979. To date more than 700 dwelling units have been inspected and over one-half million dollars in low interest federal loans have been approved to assist in the renovation and rehabilitation of 250 dwelling units.

Technical assistance as well as financial assistance is provided by the Rehabilitation Program. Financial assistance provided includes direct 3%-20 year home improvement loans, cash rebates of 20% to 40% of the cost of eligible repairs, and grants to lower income home owners for the correction of code violations.

It is anticipated that the Federal funding will continue, and the continued cooperation and participation of the area residents will make it a most viable and successful program.

## Board of Examiners

Although the State Building Code provides for the licensing of construction supervisors state-wide, lack of funding has prevented the State Building Code Commission from implementing the proposed licensing program.

During 1976, the Board of Examiners examined applicants requesting licenses for the construction, alteration or demolition of buildings in the Town each month.

A total of 98 applicants was examined. Of this number 91 successfully qualified for licenses. Of the 91 successful applicants, 77 requested that the license be issued. The 77 licenses issued included:

- 9 ABC (separately or combined) — fire resistive construction
- 1 D — masonry walls
- 31 F — frame construction
- 32 F Limited — alterations and repairs only
- 1 M/S—miscellaneous, siding, awnings/canopies

In addition 278 licenses were renewed and total fees received were \$4,540.

The Board regrets that Mr. Clifford D. Stewart, chairman, has found it necessary to resign because of the demands of his business. Mr. Stewart devoted over ten years to the Board and was considerate, kind, and just as he skillfully conducted the examinations. He will be sorely missed.



# PUBLIC WORKS

## Engineering Division

In 1976 the Engineering Division of the Public Works Department provided survey, design, and construction inspection to reconstruct, resurface, or rehabilitate nine streets in the Central Village area. The value of these projects was approximately \$361,000, with funds being provided by the Federal Community Development Block Grant Program. Survey and design are under way for the 1977 rehabilitation of eight more Central Village streets under the same program. This work is accomplished with the assistance of other Departments and with citizen input generated at public meetings.



*The Town's ongoing program of replacing aging water mains continued during 1976.*

State-Aid funds paid for the complete reconstruction of the northern portion of South Street as well as the resurfacing of eleven additional streets.

The Engineering Division, with the Planning Department, prepared and built a well-received sidewalk improvement project in Coolidge Corner, at Harvard Street and Babcock Street. Improvements included new sidewalk, brick paving, benches and trees.

The Davis Path Pedestrian Bridge was rehabilitated this past year, a project sorely needed.

On approximately 100 streets and sidewalks, maintenance projects were completed by the Department of Public Works personnel.

The Engineering Division, with the Transportation Department, is preparing plans for construction of school zone flashing signals at six school locations, with the installation to be accomplished in early spring.

Engineering assistance was provided to the Park Department for the design and construction of tennis courts at Beacon, Longwood and Baldwin Playgrounds.

## Highway Division

The Highway Division collected a large volume of street sweepings, litter and leaves from Brookline's streets in 1976. It also used the department's T.V. inspection equipment in locating and solving sewer problems. The department's sewer jet was utilized to clear many obstructed lines in 1976.

## Sanitation Division

The Sanitation Division implemented new refuse collection routes in 1976 which have proved successful in balancing weekly collections. These improvements have resulted in greater efficiency.

In 1976, a six month trial program for curbside collection of newspapers for resource recovery was started by the Sanitation Division. Promotion activities and guidance were received from a citizen Recycling Committee, chaired jointly by Ms. Gretchen Mamis and Gerald Parker.

**Water Division**

The Water Division received approval of the Annual Town Meeting of an appropriation of \$250,000 for the cleaning and cement mortar lining of water mains in selected locations in the Town. Nearly two miles of principal arterial mains, from six to ten inch diameter were completely restored, including all branch connections and the replacement of existing line gate valves and hyd-

rant gate valves. This important program improves fire demand flows and it improves domestic water quality by the elimination of rust.

Public works is hopeful that the Town will continue this program annually especially in light of Public Law 93-523, better known as the National Safe Drinking Water Act, due to take effect on June 24, 1977.

**Trustees of Walnut Hills Cemetery**

The lawns, trees, and drives of the Walnut Hills and Old Brookline Cemeteries were given their usual care and attention. The following are the details of the work performed during the year.

Number of lots sold .....	4
Number of single graves sold.....	75
Number of interments.....	120
Number of memorials set.....	54
Total lots sold to date.....	864
Total single graves sold to date .....	3,112
Total interments to date.....	7,889

The Cemetery received over \$38,000 in fees from interment and the sale of lots and graves. Earnings from the Cemetery's Perpetual Care fund exceeded \$15,000 for the year.

There were no interments in the Old Brookline Cemetery in 1976.



# PUBLIC SCHOOLS



*Members of the School Committee and Superintendent Robert I. Sperber pay tribute to Viola Pinanski when she retired after 40 years of service to Brookline children as member of the School Committee.*

## **The Basic Skills Given Special Elementary Emphasis**

Basic skills continue to merit special emphasis this year in all Brookline elementary schools, according to Superintendent Robert I. Sperber.

"I will constantly stress this topic until I am convinced that our pupils are writing, speaking, and reading more effectively, and that they are in command of their arithmetic skills," Dr. Sperber said in his annual address to the faculty.

"Higher standards must be established by our teachers, directors, and principals with respect to acquisition of basic skills and more knowledge in all subjects." He called for an added emphasis on "developing and implementing instructional techniques and strategies for working with students in all areas of the curriculum with the ultimate goal of challenging all students."

"We must, as a school system, be concerned with any incongruities between a student's ability and his performance — whether we are dealing with an underachiever or an academically-talented student," he added.

The Superintendent said he is encouraged by Brookline students' significant gains in national

standardized tests since the placing of more emphasis on basic skills several years ago.

The standardized tests used annually by Brookline to measure basic skills are McGraw Hills' California Achievement Test for Grades 2-3 and the Comprehensive Test of Basic Skills for Grades 4-8.

Factors that are measured include the ability to read with understanding; knowledge and application of basic arithmetical processes; spelling; correct language usage; and the ability to use capitalization and punctuation correctly.

Virginia Seavey, chairman of Brookline's Psychological and Remedial Services, Department of Pupil Personnel, reports that local students, on the average, achieve well above national norms in these tests.

Last year's test results, for example, indicate that Brookline students range, in total achievement, from five and six months above grade levels in second and third grades, to more than two years above the national average in grades seven and eight.

Principals and faculty at all elementary schools are closely watching test results as they stress basic skills in the classroom.

Increased emphasis on spelling in grades four through six continues for all Brookline pupils as part of the Language Arts curriculum. The children are pre-tested before working to improve spelling at their individual levels. In grades one through three, spelling is an integrated part of the reading program. Algebra is now a part of the curriculum for all eighth grades.

### **New Performing Arts Program Flourishing**

In September, 1976, the Brookline School System launched a new Performing Arts Program which brings together dance, music and drama as "an integral part of the academic experience of all our students," according to supervisor of the new program, William A. Seymour.

The program includes a full-time dance teacher at the high school. Ninety-six students are currently enrolled in ballet and modern dance.

The high school music department has been reorganized. About 250 students are enrolled in 13 different courses running the gamut from instrumental and choral to academic.

Drama has also been expanded. Over one hundred students take courses in Acting, Introduction to Theatre, Children's Theatre Workshop, and Acting for Television. Children in the upper grades at Runkle and Baker schools have drama classes this

year. There are plans to include other elementary schools in the future.

A model program in Movement and Drama is flourishing at Devotion where there is a specialist who works with elementary level students as a resource to assist in new ways of learning basic skills in language arts, math, science and social studies.

Although the elementary school level of the program is clearly curriculum-oriented, Seymour says, "The aim is to develop skills to a higher degree which will eventually be used in performance when students reach secondary school where, I think, the quality of drama, dance and music productions will be even better from now on."

### **Extended Day Programs**

This year, all eight elementary schools have extended day programs, and Brookline is considered a forerunner in the area of public school-based child care. In fact widespread publicity in *Ladies Home Journal* and *McCall's* magazines has resulted in almost one thousand requests by parents, teachers, legislators and social service workers from communities across the country for information about starting similar programs.

Totally administered by parents, in cooperation with the school system, extended day centers serve over 350 Brookline youngsters from kinder-



*The new Performing Arts Program includes ballet classes at the high school.*



garten through grade four, after their regular school classes.

Almost 35 per cent of all Brookline kindergartners are presently enrolled in a program. Some schools where space is limited even have waiting lists.

The programs exemplify community sharing at its best: kindergarten or other available rooms, school gyms, playgrounds, and libraries are all utilized; when school is in session, maintenance services are provided as well as heat, electricity and, of course, rent is free.

This means tuition is much lower than other day care facilities. Depending on the age group, the child-staff ratio, and the number of hours enrolled (children may attend part- or full-time between 11:15 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.), cost varies from \$15 to \$25 per week. In a few schools, fees are calculated on a sliding scale depending on the family's income. Some programs provide limited scholarships. Last year, the Welfare Department subsidized a limited number of children eligible because their family's income falls under a certain minimum. Increasing the amount of financial help available is a goal of every school.

Programs differ from one school to the next. Each has a parent executive board which makes decisions about staff, budget, and other policies.

Parents hire the professional staff. While some are certified school teachers, others hold master's degrees in early childhood education or in art or music. Parents and staff together decide on the program content for each school.

For older children, Brookline parents have organized after-school activities. Taught by specialists, these range from gymnastics, puppetry, foreign language instruction and pottery, to field trips around Boston. Sometimes, younger children participate in an activity and then return to the extended day program.

### **Increasing Enrollment**

Despite a national trend of declining enrollment, Brookline's elementary school population again rose this year to 4201 from 4120 last year.

Including high school students, Brookline's total enrollment is 6216.

Kindergarten attendance is 404, higher than the 324 figure predicted in a study released last March by D. N. Engelhardt, educational consultant, hired by the town.

The largest increases in students over the past two years were at Pierce, Lawrence and Devotion — all new facilities.



*After two years of extensive renovation, the new Devotion School opened with a multi-purpose community room for residents of all ages.*

### **School Volunteers**

In the Brookline Public Schools, a serious effort is under way to try to utilize teacher talent by finding other people to perform routine tasks. Individual student differences call for individual instruction and the latter is almost impossible without some kind of assistance to the teacher.

Dr. Jacqueline P. Clement, assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction, is concerned with the problem and feels that the use of non-professional aides helps to free teachers for highly skilled work. More than 175 school volunteers — parents, college students, and senior citizens — are regularly performing routine but important tasks within the schools. After training workshops, volunteers are placed in classrooms and libraries. This year there was an effort to recruit citizens to work with non-English speaking students.

### **Senior Citizens Find That The Schools Are Not Just For Children**

Many activities are planned for the town's elder residents under the direction of the Council on Aging. More than half of these involve school facilities or school personnel.

School kitchens prepared hot lunches for senior citizens, the School Volunteer program placed elders in meaningful activities within the schools; and at least 750 seniors were enrolled in Adult Education courses for the fall term. The heaviest concentration of senior citizens is in the vicinity of the Devotion School, near Coolidge Corner in the North Brookline area. The opening of a large community room at the newly-renovated Devotion School was welcomed by the School System and the Multi-Service Senior Center.



*Children in an extended day program engage in a quiet game with the teacher.*

Both this facility and the Pierce Community Room are always open during the school day and provide a place for senior citizens to congregate for lunch, socialize with their peers in quiet games of checkers or scrabble, and to participate in a wide variety of adult education courses.

The lunches, served at a minimal charge of fifty cents, are provided through a program that is partially funded through the state Department of Education. Financial details, as well as the meal preparation, are handled by the Brookline School System.

Meeting a request of the senior citizens, the School System has moved more Adult Education classes out into the elementary schools in order to make them more accessible.

## **METCO**

Through METCO, a state-funded voluntary educational program, 249 minority children from Boston attend Brookline Schools from kindergarten through grade 12. When they first enter the system, students are placed only where vacancies exist so as to maintain the School Committee's guidelines for class size.

Reimbursement from the state is required for the total cost of METCO, which has no impact whatsoever on the local tax rate. While there is unanimous agreement by the Committee that the program must be self-supporting, there is also total consensus that no profit should be made from METCO.

This year's METCO budget is \$367,124 which is equivalent to a per pupil cost of \$1,474. The total budget is determined by direct costs of the program (\$185,185), community services associated with METCO (\$53,600), METCO central services (\$52,892), and four personnel positions which also benefit Brookline students (\$75,447).

Since our policy requires children to enter the system between kindergarten and fourth grade, almost all the 64 METCO students now in high school have been in Brookline at least five years.

Last year, 16 young men and women graduated from Brookline High in the METCO program.

One student is enrolled at each of the following colleges: Brandeis, Harvard, Rensselaer Polytechnical Institute, Morehouse, Cornell, Mt. Ida, University of Miami, Northeastern, Emerson, University of Denver, Graham Junior, Mass. College of Art,



University of Pennsylvania, and Boston State. Of the remaining two graduates, one is a freelance writer and the other has followed a family tradition and joined the service.

### **Adult Education**

Brookline's Adult Education Program is one of the largest in the state. About 3000 registrations were processed in the fall of '76. In response to the interests of residents, about 85 different courses are offered. Since many have more than one section, there are over 140 different classes scheduled from Monday to Thursday every week. Average class size is 15.

The catalogue includes such choices as Opera Appreciation, Russian, Investments and the Securities Market, Consumer Protection, Chair Caning, and Rug Hooking. Furniture Upholstery is the most popular course.

Calligraphy, Cabinet Making, and Auto Repairs are also in great demand. Of the 68 adults enrolled in all automobile-related classes, 43 are women.

The newest course, Sanitation in the Food Service Industry, is jointly sponsored by both the town's School and Health departments. Designed for restaurant owners and personnel, and taught by faculty from Bunker Hill Community College, federal Food and Drug Administration, and Brookline High School, the course leads to certification by the National Institute for the Food Service Industry.

Brookline residents pay a \$5 registration fee plus the cost of materials.

About 25 per cent of the Adult Education budget goes toward senior citizen courses, according to the director, Harry Lent.

### **Devotion School**

Brookline's oldest school, The Edward Devotion, originally constructed in 1895, re-opened in the fall after two years of extensive renovations. Included in the structural changes was the division of the old auditorium into two separate floors — one now the school library and the second an area for large-group activities — and a wing housing a community room for senior citizens and a day care-child care center.

At the dedication in December, Superintendent Robert I. Sperber said: "The Devotion School is a house for the entire community — the diverse group of people who make up the population of the school includes adults as well as children."

### **Retirement of Viola R. Pinanski**

After 40 years of devoted service on the Brookline School Committee, Viola R. Pinanski retired in March, 1976. An annual scholarship, to be awarded to a Brookline High graduate, was established in Mrs. Pinanski's name.



*School volunteer works with a small group doing math games while the classroom teacher gives a reading lesson to the other children.*

# LIBRARY

The Brookline Public Library is managed by twelve elected Trustees, and operated by the Town Librarian who has a staff of fifty-four. In addition to the Main Library on Washington Street, branch libraries are located at Coolidge Corner, Putterham Circle, and Heath Street (Chestnut Hill). Library card holders include 28,490 Brookline residents or 54% of the town population, a figure which is astonishing when compared to those of other communities.

In the past five years the number of books borrowed has increased from 452,966 to 548,616 a 21% increase despite the fact that the Brookline population, according to the 1975 census, shows a decrease of almost 10%. In the past year at least 20,000 people came to a variety of programs offered by the Library.

This year saw the extension of reciprocal borrowing privileges to residents of thirty neighboring communities, an extension required for continued receipt of state aid money. Cards are now held by 3,365 non-residents. The Trustees and staff will continue to give close attention to the costs and benefits of this program.

The Library has continued to offer many services despite decreased staff and other budgetary limitations. Most regrettably, library hours have been reduced to conform with budget guidelines including the elimination of Friday evening service at Main Library, a shorter period of Sunday library time and fewer hours at Chestnut Hill.

## Library Resources

Early in the year an inventory of the historic documents owned by the Library and the Brookline Historical Society was furnished to the Massachusetts Archives Advisory Commission. The inventory required that each item be examined and its condition noted. Also, this year the Brookline Historical Commission has been taking an inventory of Brookline houses dating from the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The Library's collection of old maps, atlases, directories, street lists and town reports provided useful information. However, the fragile condition of local maps and atlases has been of increasing concern to the Trustees, staff and members of the Commission. To

facilitate a beginning of the complex work of preservation and restoration, the Brookline Historical Society has given the Library an amount sufficient to employ a specialist who will offer preliminary advice on preservation methods. Conservation of these and other unique materials in the Library's collection is both urgent and costly. The Library would welcome gifts of funds from private donors and foundations to assist with this work. One generous contribution has already been received from Mrs. John A. Gifford and it is hoped that others will be forthcoming. Mrs. Gifford retired in 1977 as Assistant Town Librarian.

The Brookline Public Library is one of eight public libraries in Massachusetts which serves as semi-depositories for government documents. This status is of great benefit to the Town as it results in the free acquisition of many government documents which would otherwise have to be purchased. A visit and inspection by a Representative of the Superintendent of Documents in September reaffirmed satisfactory performance. New governmental items will continue to be selected by the staff as they appear useful.

Gifts of \$1200 in memory of Dr. Winthrop Wetherbee have made it possible to get more audio equipment at the Main Library. These welcome contributions enabled the enlargement of a service which is very popular with library users.



*Coolidge Corner Branch Library — indoor garden with art exhibit.*



## Book Inventory and Security System

On December 19, 1975, the Library was closed to allow the staff an opportunity to take a numerical inventory of the library collection. This was an undertaking of great magnitude requiring the cooperation and hard work of every staff member. As a result of the inventory, the Library Trustees requested funds for a book security system to be installed at the Main Library. Town Meeting voted the funds requested for this project, and the contract for the installation of a system has been awarded.

## Exhibits

The year started with a fine exhibit which was part of the Boston Visual Arts/Boston 200 Open January Show throughout the Greater Boston area. Five member artists participated with paintings, drawings, collages, masks and photographs. Claudine Bing, a Brookline artist exhibiting in this show, was asked to return with her own showing, which she did during June. Nancy Timbers returned this year with an enlarged showing of her charming children's portrait photographs. During November there was a distinguished photoessay exhibit "The Rites of Death in a Greek Village" by T. Doane Perry, III.

In cooperation with the Health Department, Nutrition Month was celebrated in March. The nutritionist and her staff prepared a special exhibit on the potato which some viewers stated was responsible for their returning this valuable food source to their diets! Nutrition booklets and recipe leaflets were taken by the hundreds, and the book list which the reference staff had prepared was also very popular.

Juliana Boyd who was working on photographs of Brookline architecture for the Planning Department exhibited some of her photographs of existing buildings along with some of the Library's historical materials.

A special exhibit of an extensive collection of books on learning disabilities was arranged in August. Simultaneously a feature in the local press described this collection which is a generous gift in honor of "The Folks at Humanity House." These books have generated intense interest and a public display of all holdings on this subject is being continued.

Material in the wall cases included one of the Huntington Library's fine travelling exhibits on Shakespeare which was loaned through the Eastern Region Library service for a month. There were also exhibits from our own collections of old valentines, miniature Japanese screen paintings, the Helen Belkin picture book illustrations, and a

selection from the Maynard photographs titled "Aspects of New England Architecture: Stairways and Doorways."

Exhibits of handicrafts and art work in the Coolidge Corner Branch Library received publicity in the November 1976 issue of *Boston Entertaining Arts* in an article by Tina Prentiss entitled "Livelier Libraries Than You May Remember."

"Sculptured weavings hanging from real trees in an inner garden, the display of local craftsmen in the middle of the Coolidge Corner Branch of the Brookline Public Library, first attracted attention to new ideas in libraries."

## Special Programs for Adults

At the Main Library, the 1975/76 cinema season featured twelve films with Margaret Sullavan and Barbara Stanwyck in the leading roles. Three films, illustrating the cultural contributions of Ireland from prehistory to the thirteenth century, were shown to an audience of eighty.

"Senior Cinema" marked its fifth anniversary at the Coolidge Corner Library. Sixty to eighty senior citizens regularly attended, including a group of residents from the Winthrop Road Nursing Home. This year in addition to a regular monthly film series entitled "Movies with a Smile," an afternoon film series of horror films was shown. During the week of the Fourth of July, to commemorate the Bicentennial, historical films were shown daily. The film entitled "The Immigrant Experience" drew the largest attendance.

At Putterham Branch Library, "Senior Specials" continued weekly except in the summer. Films on travel and the arts are popular, and speakers such as Joel Orent who gave an illustrated lecture titled "My Camera in the Holy Land" drew capacity audiences.

The Brookline Library Music Association offered six programs, which included a concert entitled "Music of Colonial and Contemporary America."

The Brookline Library Society of Artists' second annual outdoor Arts and Crafts Festival held in September was a great success. Fifty-five artists participated in the membership show held in the Main Library in October. In addition the Society had a number of workshops and smaller exhibits at the Main Library.

The Library cooperates with the Council on Aging, the Adult Education Department of the Brookline Schools, the League of Women Voters and the Brookline Mental Health Association in sponsoring a variety of programs.

### **Special Services for Young Adults**

A series of films of special interest to young people begun in the fall of the year had an average attendance of eighty per program. A variety of book lists, including two "Beyond Known Boundaries" and "Wheels" produced by the staff, were distributed. A paperback collection of books with special appeal to those in grades 7-12 was borrowed from the Eastern Region Library System. Listings of books, records and events of interest to the young people have been posted on the bulletin boards in a special area at the Main Library. Four meetings with the staff of the Brookline High School Library have provided an opportunity for the exchange of ideas and information for improving library service to the school-age residents of the community.

### **Special Services for Children**

Use of the children's services throughout the Library system continued to increase, and demand for special programs for children was strong. Seven story hours and a film program are held for children weekly during the winter months in addition to other special events. There was an attendance of 7000 children at these various programs. A number of imaginative events early in the year drew record attendance at the Chestnut Hill Library.

Many book lists for children and parents have been prepared by the Library staff, e.g. "Books for the Reluctant Reader," "Wordless Picture Books," "Books on Death," "Going to School."

Each children's room welcomes visits from classes from the various elementary schools both public and private. Children from day care centers and nursery schools come with their teachers to choose books, play with puzzles and listen to records. Children and teachers at the Baldwin School visited the Chestnut Hill Branch Library to study or to listen to stories or to work on special projects.

### **CETA**

As a summer project involving Comprehensive Employment and Training Act staff, certified letters were prepared and sent to borrowers who had library items overdue for a long period. As a result of these letters, items valued at \$2000 were returned. Cases were selected for action in the courts against some of those who did not respond. In addition, CETA staff began photocopying the pamphlets in the Brookline pamphlet file. These pamphlets contain material of local interest and are irreplaceable. CETA personnel have been of invaluable assistance in keeping records of the Technical Services division up to date.

### **Income from Various Sources**

A second successful book sale was held in October, at which \$2,705 was raised, an increase of \$550 over the amount raised last year. The Library staff gave volunteer hours for this project and additional sale books were contributed by the public. The Library received \$22,008 in State Aid. The total from reserves, overdue fines, and payments for lost books was \$36,566. The maximum fine for overdue books has been raised to \$5.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children. All of the receipts mentioned, an amount of \$61,279 were forwarded to the Town Treasurer.

### **Conclusion**

A patient in a Brookline nursing home who is regularly brought to the Coolidge Corner Library has expressed her feelings in an article in *The Clipper* in these words:

"Public libraries are the best features of the United States for the service they render the people . . . of the land. Oh yes, the grandeur of Public Libraries. With a simple library card they loan to the reading public famous books beginning from the 4th century B.C. to modern times. Oh these fountains of light!"



# PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

## Planning Department

### Organization and Function

The Planning Board consists of five appointed citizen members who serve in an advisory capacity on Town planning and community development issues. Robert Kramer was elected Chairman by the Board and David Adelson and Joseph Gartner were appointed as new members.



The Planning Department serves as staff for both the Planning Board and the Board of Selectmen. The department has six full-time professional planners and is administered by the Planning Director who is appointed annually by the Board of Selectmen. The work load of the Board and Department is concentrated in five major areas: Zoning Administration, Community Development Planning and Programming, Comprehensive Planning, Capital Improvements Programming, and Technical Services.

### Zoning Administration

Zoning administration continued to be the major component of the Department's workload. Eighty-eight Board of Appeals cases were reviewed by the Planning Board and staff in 1976, with approximately one-half involving environmental design review. This review process offers a unique opportunity for the Town, public officials and citizens alike, to help shape the built environment. The results of this process are particularly evident in the Town's commercial areas, where a number of positive changes to the visual environ-



Before



After

*Design Review at work in Coolidge Corner . . .*

ment are being made through facade renovations and sign changes. Pictures of several of this year's outstanding examples are included in this report.

The zoning caseload reviewed in 1976 is perhaps best characterized by its diversity, including such proposals as the installation of solar-heat collectors on a high-rise apartment building, construction of a 9-story nursing home in Coolidge Corner, construction of a church on Brington Road and major renovations to the S.S. Pierce Building and the adjacent commercial block along Harvard Street at Coolidge Corner.

*Sign Design Review.* One of the more significant zoning changes occurred this year with the establishment of an accelerated sign design review process. A zoning amendment which permitted the Planning Board to conduct the final review of sign design cases, rather than requiring a special permit by the Board of Appeals, was proposed by the Board and approved by Town Meeting. This new process involves a time savings to merchants and property owners of up to two months, and it has resulted in a significant reduction in the Board of Appeals caseload. On a related note, the Town's



Before



Design Review: Coolidge Corner facade renovations.

After



long-standing effort to restrict billboards was upheld by the State Supreme Court, and with the exception of billboards in the vicinity of Route 9, all billboards in Brookline have been removed.

Other amendments to the Zoning By-law this year included a provision requiring sheltered bicycle parking in new apartment buildings, stricter criteria for the granting of use variances, and a Zoning Map change along the lower portion of Walnut Street.

### Community Development Planning and Programming

The preparation, monitoring and evaluation of the Town's \$1,180,000 Community Development program continues to be a major work item of the Planning Department. Since the passage of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, the Planning Department has worked closely with other Town agencies and departments, and with citizens, to establish and implement community development programs and provide necessary support services.



*Design plan for Harvard-Babcock intersection improvements.*

Major accomplishments have been made this past year in the Central Village Rehabilitation Program, the major component of the C.D. program. Included in these are the establishment of a Citizens' Advisory Committee, the beginning of systematic housing safety inspections, and the formulation of a rehabilitation rebate and grant program. As part of the overall effort to improve the visual environment within the Town, the Planning Department worked with the Rehabilitation Program staff to encourage renovations which would enhance and preserve the character of the Central Village's older homes. Assisting in the preparation of plans for public improvements in Central Village has also been an important aspect of the Department's responsibilities under this program.



*Beacon Street Mall proposal.*

At the direction of the Selectmen's Steering Committee on Planning and Rehabilitation, substantial progress has also been made in preparing and implementing plans for improvements at Coolidge Corner. This has included reviewing store-front and sign renovations and preparing plans for public improvements. The redesign and landscaping at the Harvard and Babcock intersection represents the first in a series of public improvements aimed at upgrading the Coolidge Corner business district.

In addition to assisting with specific C.D. projects, the Department plays a major role in developing the Block Grant program. Significant aspects of this include the preparation of the detailed grant application and the annual performance report. In the fall, the Planning Department worked closely with the Council for Planning and Renewal, the citizen advisory group designated by the Selectmen to insure public participation in the application process. After public hearings, a general program for FY-1978 was prepared by the Department in conjunction with a Council Subcommittee. It was then approved by the Board of Selectmen, and adopted by the November Town Meeting. The staff then began the job of preparing next year's application to be submitted in early 1977.

Given the relatively low level of federal funding through the Block Grant program, it becomes necessary to continually seek alternative sources of funding for major capital improvement projects. Recognizing this need, the Department assisted with the preparation of an application for the Beacon Street Mall through the Economic Development Administration's Local Public Works Grant Program. This included designing plans for sidewalk widening, tree planting, pedestrian

amenities, and landscaping along Beacon Street to form a landscaped mall. Since the competition was keen and funding was extremely limited, the Town's proposal was not funded; however, it is expected that other sources of funds will be sought for this plan.

### Comprehensive Planning

The "701" Comprehensive Planning Assistance Grant from the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development continued to be the primary source of support for the Town's long-range planning program. This year was particularly significant with the completion of several major work elements, including the Comprehensive Plan revision, a housing study, and an evaluation of the Town's computer facilities.

Culminating a three-year citizen participation process, the revised *Comprehensive Plan* was completed and adopted by the Planning Board in June. The new plan, which introduces the "flexible plan" concept to local comprehensive planning, utilizes a loose-leaf format which can readily accommodate revisions to policies or programs which are necessitated by changes in the community's social, physical, or fiscal environment.



*Design Review: Coolidge Corner facade renovations.*

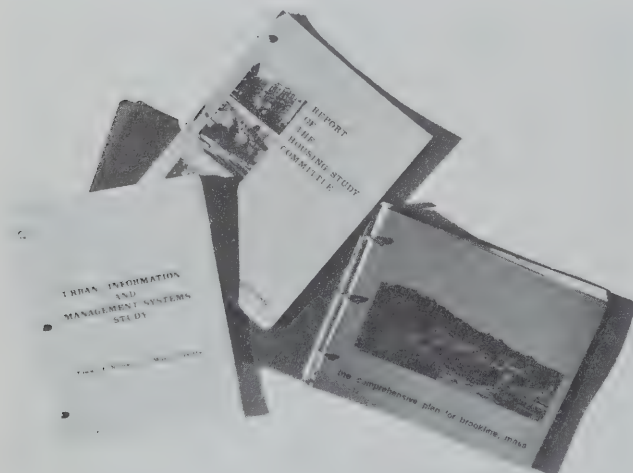
allow the Town to more realistically identify its housing needs (both subsidized and non-subsidized), and to respond to those needs more effectively.

The interdepartmental Steering Committee on Data Processing provided the coordination for the *Urban Information and Management Systems Study*, a "701"-funded study which analyzed the Town's current and projected data processing needs. The detailed report recommended a centralization of the Town's major computer facilities which, over the long term, could result in significant improvements to the Town's data processing operations in terms of efficiency, effectiveness, and economy.

Historic preservation took on a renewed emphasis this year with "701"-supported staff providing assistance to the Brookline Historical Commission for the architectural inventory of the Central Village neighborhood and for the proposal for National Register district nomination for the Pill Hill area. Since conservation of the Town's housing supply is a primary objective of the new *Comprehensive Plan*, it is expected that historic preservation and rehabilitation will continue to be integral components of the Town's long-range planning program.

### Capital Improvements Programming

The responsibility of the Planning Board, along with the Board of Selectmen, in coordinating and preparing the six-year Capital Improvements Program remains an important aspect of the Town's planning program. All proposed capital expenditures of the various departments were evaluated in terms of priorities and their relationship to the



*"701" Reports: 1976.*

The "701" program provided staff support for the Moderator's committee appointed to study the impact of subsidized housing in the Town. *The Report of the Housing Study Committee*, completed in November, provided a detailed assessment of subsidized housing in Brookline and it recommended the establishment of a housing monitoring and policy review process. The Committee felt that the establishment of such a process would





After 7-year court struggle, billboards are gone . . .

newly-revised *Comprehensive Plan*. As a result of this evaluation, agency requests of almost \$8 million were eliminated from the six-year program.

### Technical Services

Reliance by several departments on the technical and design services of the Planning Department continued at a high level this year. In addition to the Selectmen's Office, other agencies for which the Planning Department provided general information and technical expertise include the Council for Planning and Renewal, Conservation Commission, the newly-formed Coolidge Corner Community Corporation, the Park and Recreation

Commission, Building, Public Works, School and Transportation Departments, and the Redevelopment Authority. Of particular note this year was the preparation of a Bi-Centennial Commemorative Map for the Brookline Bi-Centennial Commission. Many neighborhood groups and individual citizens continued to rely on the Planning Department for technical assistance and information.

The Planning Department also worked with a variety of regional and state agencies, including the MBTA on improvements to the Beacon Street line; the Metropolitan Area Planning Council on water quality and bicycle transportation planning; and the Office of State Planning on Growth Policy.

## Council for Planning and Renewal

The officers for the Council for Planning and Renewal this year are: President — Lawrence Koff; Vice-President — MacDonald Barr; Secretary — Sara Barnes and Treasurer — Marc Fried. There are currently 75 members on the Council. The Executive Board, which meets monthly, consists of 8 members in addition to the four officers.

An effort was made this year to broaden the membership of the Council by appointing citizens from each precinct who were not already involved in town affairs, and to work with the Selectmen in defining activities which require the Council's participation. At the Fall organizational meeting, Selectmen Myerson and Novakoff were present to offer their thoughts on the Council and to participate in the discussions of the various sub-committees.

The major activities for the Council this year included: preparing recommendations for the Selectmen as programs/projects for the third year of Community Development Block Grant funds; reviewing and commenting to town meeting on the warrant article pertaining to granting the Selectmen 121-B power; discussing the proposed Coolidge Corner Community Development Corporation; reviewing the housing study and preparing a suggested strategy for organizing a housing policy process; and working with the Redevelopment Authority on a strategy for the B-2 parcel. These activities were carried out both within the various sub-committees and by the Executive Board as outlined below.

*Commercial Areas*  
Karl Radov, Chairman

*Purpose*

To study and review with interested merchants, citizens and planning staff, town departments, Boards and the Selectmen the problems of the Town's commercial areas and to assist through consultation, lobbying, organizing and participation in the adoption of solutions to problems identified.

This committee is concentrating its efforts in Washington Square. The sub-committee, along with the merchants and adjacent neighborhood associations is preparing an improvement strategy for this commercial district.

*Zoning and Citizen Participation*  
Michael Krans, Chairman

*Purpose*

To meet with interested citizens, neighborhood associations, the Planning Board, Board of Appeals and the Building Commission to review the process of citizen participation in Board of Appeals cases and the process by which Board of Appeals conditions are upheld.

This committee meets with various town departments to discuss the enforcement of regulations.

*Housing Sub-committee*  
Esther Maletz, Chairman

*Purpose*

Seven members of the Council are represented on the Moderator's subsidized housing committee. This committee issued a report to the fall Town Meeting. The Council's housing subcommittee will concern itself with this report and other issues relative to housing such as rent control and code enforcement.

The preparation of a town housing policy will begin through the efforts of this committee, in conjunction with representatives of the Planning Board. Several pilot neighborhoods will be identified and a housing planning process initiated.

*Sub-Committee on Community Development Block Grants*  
Barbara Cunningham, Chairman

*Purpose*

To work with various Town agencies and the Planning staff to: (1) plan the Community Development Block Grant program, (2) monitor existing CDBG program activities and (3) ensure increased citizen participation in the process.



*Community Corporation representatives meet with Council Executive Board.*

A Community Development program was prepared and approved by the Advisory Committee, the Selectmen and town meeting.

The sub-committee in the coming months will be reviewing the Community Development expenditures and studying with the Redevelopment Authority the disposition of the B-2 parcel.

*Neighborhood Associations*  
MacDonald Barr, Chairman

*Purpose*

This sub-committee encourages the involvement of representatives of the various residential neighborhoods in the development of plans, policies and programs of the Town that affect their areas. The sub-committee assists the Planning Department in maintaining its mailing list of the officers of all active neighborhood associations in the Town; it is preparing a questionnaire to solicit an expression of the interests of each of them, for general future reference.

The sub-committee also advises on the priority issues and locations for Town programs that are aimed at neighborhood improvement. The major new program for the current year involves preparation of a Town housing policy, for which this sub-committee will assist in the selection of the pilot neighborhoods.

*Sub-Committee on Transportation*

*Purpose*

This sub-committee will review and develop better understanding of transportation modes and planning. It will attempt to define the transportation roles of Town agencies and to clarify the stages through which priorities are developed i.e. planning, design, implementation, operations and maintenance.



## Historical Commission

The Historical Commission, established to record and preserve Brookline's historical heritage, has been able during its second year to provide the town with a wide variety of preservation services while enhancing public awareness of the richness of that heritage. The Commission has also brought to public attention the many architectural losses of the recent past and the on-going threat to the quality of life in the town. Working in cooperation with a variety of local, state, and federal agencies, the Commission has sought to apply every preservation remedy currently available and to develop a plan of historic preservation for the future.

The basis of the Commission's work is an inventory of the historic and architectural resources of the community. This inventory, mandated by the legislation establishing the Commission, will consist of an architectural description and historical background of every structure built prior to 1907. Little remains of the small town that Brookline was in the eighteenth century, but thousands of buildings are left of the prosperous and picturesque suburb of the nineteenth century. The Commission has surveyed nearly a thousand buildings utilizing almost one hundred volunteers who have given generously of their time, energy and money. These volunteers have been trained and their enthusiasm has been channeled by various members of the Commission under the direction of the inventory coordinator, Jean Kramer. A number of public meetings and lectures have been held to mobilize volunteers.

Once the architectural survey has been completed for an area, the historical background must be researched in libraries and public records. Nancy Peabody has been the chairperson of the Research Committee. Under an arrangement with the Public Library, the "Brookline Room" has become a research center for the Commission.

The inventory effort has been greatly enhanced by the Junior League of Boston who voted to make the inventory a project for their Brookline-Chestnut Hill area group under the direction of Jane Deland. They have spent \$450.00, trained ten volunteers, and have nearly completed the inventory for Corey Hill and Cottage Farm.

The Commission's own inventory effort for 1976 focused on the Central Village in order to coordinate with Community Development projects in that area. With the assistance of the Planning Department and the part-time services of a staff member, Juliana Boyd, the inventory of Central Village is nearing completion. It will be used for environmental impact statements prior to the expenditure

of Community Development funds for rehabilitation and code enforcement in this area.

A number of preservation crises have been met by the Commission this year. St. Mark's Church has long been threatened with demolition. In an effort to preserve this distinguished Romanesque revival building, a coalition of local groups wrote an application to the National Register of Historic Places. The Commission sponsored the nomination which was unanimously approved by the State Historical Commission and awaits final approval by the Department of the Interior. The neighborhood coalition has won a matching grant of two thousand dollars from the National Trust for a feasibility study on adaptive reuse of the church building.

Another preservation emergency occurred when 37 Lenox Street, an 1850 gothic cottage built by Amos Lawrence, was about to be demolished. After a great public outcry, the good offices of the



*St. Mark's Church 1892, Park Street.*

Board of Selectmen convinced the owner to delay demolition and to try to find a buyer who would rehabilitate the house.

The Commission was consulted by the Selectmen about the future of the Widow Harris House in Larz Anderson Park. In a joint effort with the Historical Society, a tenant custodian couple was found for the house who would also act as guides and guardians for the neighboring Putterham School recently damaged by vandalism. This arrangement provided security for both properties and allowed both to be opened to the public.

Since its inception, the work of the Commission has been voluntary and unfunded. With the expansion of the scope and importance of the issues involved, professional assistance seemed necessary. A grant-in-aid of \$3,700, to be matched by local voluntary effort and Community Development Funds, was awarded to the Commission by the Massachusetts Historical Commission under the National Park Service Historic Preservation Grants Program. This grant will enable the Commission to hire a part-time inventory coordinator and an architectural historian as a consultant.

The Commission has concluded from its experiences this year that it must seek more than remedial solutions to the problems of preservation. As the inventory becomes more complete, it will become the basis for preservation planning. A series of National Register Areas has been formulated and one application has already been submitted. "Pill Hill" in Central Village is currently being considered by the State Commission for nomination



*Tappan-Philbrick House 1822  
Walnut Street*

to the National Register of Historic Places. This will provide protection from the incursions of federal spending into the historic character of the town.

The most protection an area can have is that provided by the zoning and design control provisions of an historic district. The Commission recommended to the Board of Selectmen that it establish an Historic District Study Commission to investigate the appropriateness of historic districts in Brookline. The Selectmen voted to establish a study commission which will report its findings to the Town Meeting.

## Redevelopment Authority

Under the auspices of the Brookline Redevelopment Authority, a new housing development for Brookline neared completion in 1976. Essentially complete by the end of the year, the new housing complex, to be known as "The Village at Brookline," consists of 307 residential units and an air-rights platform over the Riverside line of the MBTA. This new development, part of the Marsh Urban Renewal Project, was made possible by the Authority's successful efforts to reserve federal (Section 236) mortgage money for MHFA to finance 90% of a total cost of approximately \$10,800,000. In addition, under the contract that the Authority has with the Federal Government, federal funds will pay  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the construction cost of \$1,111,124 for the air-rights platform.

Both in terms of tax revenue and the availability of new low and moderate income housing, "The Village at Brookline" represents an asset to the Town. Well landscaped, laid out so that the privacy of the residents is protected, incorporating within its "walls" town houses for large families, the development provides amenities not usually available in such housing: two out-door pools (one for swimming, the other a children's wading pool), a recreation center, and a separate community room and greenhouse for the elderly. The tenant application process, begun at the end of the year, will be completed in February 1977, and total occupancy is projected for the Spring of 1977. At this writing, the total number of applications submitted is 2,500.





*A view of the Town Houses in the Marsh Housing complex.*



### **B-1 Parcel**

The completion of the housing marks the completion of two of the three principal development parcels of the Project area. The first of these parcels is where the Hearthstone Plaza now stands. A fine architectural structure, this commercial office building is also a financial asset to the Town; the benefits to the Town have been considerable:

	<i>Tax Rate</i>	<i>Tax Revenue</i>
1966 Start of Project	\$56	\$ 15,355
FY 1976 Present	\$84	\$252,000

Even if the assessments on these 1966 properties had doubled and the FY 1976 tax rate were ap-

plied, the return to the Town would be approximately \$46,000, less than  $\frac{1}{5}$  of the FY 1976 revenue. The Hearthstone development not only generated additional Town revenue, but returned tax-exempt property to the tax roll and created new job opportunities for Brookline residents.

### **B-2 Parcel**

The third major parcel is called B-2. The present land use in this area, i.e., mixed industrial and commercial, threatens the viability of the other two parcels because of its blighting effect. Potentially, this well-located site at the juncture of Route 9 and US Number 1 and adjacent to the Brookline



*B-2 Parcel in the Marsh Urban Renewal Area.*

Village Station of the Riverside MBTA green line, could support a mix of uses such as office, retail, hotel or housing, or alternates of one or more such uses. The municipal cost benefits of different scales of potential development at this site cannot be ignored, in view of Brookline's shrinking tax base; nor can we ignore the tax impact of the "spin off" benefits which can be anticipated from subsequent new private investment in the Village area once the future of parcel B-2 is publicly known and the existing blighting influences have been removed.

### **State Urban Renewal**

In addition to the Marsh Project, the Authority's work in 1976 related to the Central Village Rehabilitation Program. The Authority prepared and submitted a State Urban Renewal Project Application in January of 1976 which was approved by the State in February of 1976. This Application provides the legal basis for the State to pay half the costs of public improvements and of administration at such future time when the Legislature may appropriate the funds. The Authority was instrumental in the establishment of a Central Village Citizens' Advisory Committee (consisting of representatives of neighborhood groups, Central Village precincts, Town agencies, and others), a committee which was part of the decision-making process. Under contract with the Town, the Authority was responsible for the coordination of the Program until July 1976 and, after joint decisions by all concerned, prepared and issued a bulletin of Loan and Grant Schedules for the first Work Area.

### **Organization and Function**

The Brookline Redevelopment Authority was created by vote of Town Meeting in 1957 under the provisions of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Four members of the Authority are elected by the voters in town elections; one member is appointed by the Commonwealth. The Authority has broad powers to assemble land for subsequent resale and redevelopment for urban renewal purposes as defined in Chapter 121B of the General Laws.

Mr. James P. Duggan is Chairman of the Authority, succeeding Mr. Herbert K. Bremner, who resigned in July, 1976. Mr. Bremner served with distinction from June, 1966, and contributed his expertise in business management and financing to the Authority. Mr. James M. Brown is Treasurer of the Authority. Mr. John M. Clancy completes his term of office in March of 1977, and has served since March, 1972. Mr. Clancy is a practicing architect whose professional advice has been of incalculable aid in building and design matters. Mr. Craig Bolon, state appointed member of the Authority, also resigned his office in 1976. Mr. Francis J. O'Boy was appointed by the Board of Selectmen and the Authority, in joint convention, to serve in place of Mr. Bremner, pending the annual Town election in March of 1977. As of the date this report was prepared, the State had not appointed its member to the Board. Mr. Bernard S. Kaplan continues as General Counsel to the Authority.

The staff of the Redevelopment Authority consists of the Associate Executive Director, an Administrative Assistant/Planner, and a Senior Clerk/Stenographer.

## **Housing Authority**

### **Social Services**

The Brookline Housing Authority continues to work closely with agencies of the Town of Brookline in an effort to acquaint its tenants with educational, health and social services available to them. At monthly meetings held at the Housing Authority offices, representatives of the Community Service Center, Visiting Nurse Association, Multi Service Senior Centers, Health Department, Department of Veterans Services, Brookline Association for Mental Health, the on-site Social Worker and staff of the Authority discuss methods to assist the elderly, youth and families in all developments. The Pride Sheltered Workshop at O'Shea House continues and many tenants participate and are benefited by this town-wide program.

### **Multi-Service Senior Centers**

Multi-Service Senior Centers are located at Sussman House, O'Shea House and the Theresa J. Morse Apartments, to serve senior citizens in developments of the Authority as well as all elderly citizens of the Town. Services such as home-making, counselling, personal service, group programs, transportation, cultural and recreational activities are available. Quarters and utilities are made available to Multi-Service through the courtesy of the Brookline Housing Authority at no charge to the Town.

The Council on Aging and its Multi-Service Senior Centers, in cooperation with the School Department, provide hot lunches at O'Shea House,



Sussman House and Theresa Morse Apartments, for senior citizens of the Town. Many tenants and other persons in the locality are served a nourishing and appetizing hot meal at minimal cost through this valuable program. Home delivered meals are provided on a short term emergency basis to tenants in other housing developments and to senior citizens of the Town, as needed.

### **Cooperative Programs**

Tenants assisted under the Federal Leasing, Section 8 and State Rental Assistance Programs are made aware of all services available to citizens of the Town.

The Brookline School Department's Adult Education Division conducts interesting and educational programs for senior citizens at all elderly developments.

The Recreation Department arranges arts and crafts classes as well as trips and other social activities for senior citizens. It also serves the youth of the family developments with various programs and cooperates with the Authority in providing materials, personnel and entertainment for summer cook-outs for the elderly and families.

The Health Department renders valuable services to senior citizens as well as to other residents of the Town such as clinics for flu shots, glaucoma, blood pressure and other health services at Housing Authority facilities.

In cooperation with the Town Clerk, space is made available to the Town for polling places and for registration of voters, at no charge.

The Brookline Public Library makes reading materials available at the elderly developments.

TASK (Teen Aged Serving Kids) under the supervision of Joel Gopen of Brookline High School, continues its exemplary work with the youngsters at the Walnut Apartments. These high school students give their time in an effort to assist younger children. A second group, sponsored by the Brookline Association for Mental Health and supervised by Mr. Charles McManus, conducts a similar program at the Egmont Street veterans housing.

The Garden Club of Brookline continued its assistance in the beautification of the Walnut Apartments by filling the planters and flower boxes at that location. The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Brookline Plumbers' Association, planted a tree at Sussman House as its contribution to the beautification of that area.

The Brookline Kiwanis Club cooperated with the School Department and a delightful musical pro-

gram, under the direction of Ms. Nelora Steele, was presented at the elderly developments.

A summer employment program for youths of the developments and the community, continued and the Authority cooperated with the Town in the supervision of youths working under CETA and NYC Programs at Housing Authority sites.

### **Management-Tenant Relationships**

The Authority and its Tenant Council, along with the Tenant Associations of each development, worked together to improve tenant-management relationships. Tenant representatives met with the Members of the Authority on matters of mutual concern.

The Authority, in conjunction with the Tenant Associations, conducted cook-outs in all developments. Holiday dinners and celebrations were sponsored jointly by the Authority and the Tenant Associations, with assistance, in some instances, by the Brookline Kiwanis Club.

### **Subsidies, Modernization, New Programs**

The Authority's fiscal agent received \$118,720 from the Commonwealth for the Egmont Street and High Street veterans' developments, to subsidize the cost of debt service. The State Department of Community Affairs has assumed the full debt service obligation for the Col. Floyd Apartments.

Some 121 units of State Rental Assistance, Chapter 707, are allocated with an annual contribution in the amount of \$129,307.

The Federal low rent housing and housing for the elderly at Walnut Street, Sussman House, O'Shea House, and Theresa J. Morse Apartments received a total annual contribution of \$510,145.55 and an operating subsidy of \$200,500. The amount of \$115,610 was received as the annual contribution for the Federal Leased Program, with an operating subsidy of \$33,420. All units in all developments are occupied.

The Section 8, Housing Assistance Payments Program, has been implemented and 75 units are under effective lease. A total annual contribution of \$214,488 has been approved for this program. An application for an additional 100 units of "existing housing" has been submitted to HUD and it is anticipated that some further units will be made available under this program.

The Authority paid to the Town of Brookline as PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes) \$11,597 for its federal programs and \$10,476 for its state programs, during 1976.

The State Modernization Program continues for the benefit of the tenants. At the Col. Floyd Apartments hand rails have been installed in each hallway for the safety and security of the tenants. At the High Street veterans' development, the fire access street, New Terrace Road, was repaired and repaved. At the High Street and Egmont Street veterans' developments, all exterior front doors were replaced, dead locks and door viewers were installed on all doors of individual apartments, and improved exterior courtyard lighting was installed. The Modernization Program priorities are coordinated with the tenant associations.

Modernization of the federal developments, with funds made available through the Community Development Block Grant Program of the Town of Brookline, continued. At the Walnut Street de-

velopment, reroofing of the elderly and large family buildings was completed; an elevator modernization program was started; and the community room is being renovated. At Sussman House plans have been drawn for improvements — carpet installation in corridors; at O'Shea House additional security has been provided through the installation of a TV security camera system. Plans and specifications are being drawn for roof replacement of the remaining building at Walnut Street and for Sussman House and O'Shea House. Installation of deadlocks on apartment doors is proposed for the Walnut Apartments.

Total development cost for the acquisition and development of the Benjamin A. Trustman Apartments, was \$4,200,000. All units are occupied.

## Building Commission

Design and construction of Town buildings continued throughout 1976 and the Building Commission met regularly to review progress of projects.

After four years of distinguished service, Mr. Clifton Helman resigned and Mr. John Doherty was appointed by the Selectmen to fill the vacancy. Mr. A. Anthony Tappe was re-elected Chairman of the Commission.

Members of the Building Commission served on the Committee of Seven to select the architects or other consultants for the Lynch Recreation Center, the Lincoln School, and the Driscoll School Feasibility Study.

In 1976 the building program included completion of Devotion School alterations and additions; development of construction documents for the Lynch Recreation Center; correction of acoustics and masonry problems at the Pierce School; and commencement of the feasibility study for Lincoln School.

The Edward Devotion School was occupied by the School Department as scheduled in September, 1976 upon the substantial completion of the \$5,700,000 project.

The feasibility study for the James Lynch Recreation Center, as authorized by the Town Meeting in 1975, was completed and work on the plans and specifications is in progress. It is anticipated that bids for the project will be received prior to the Annual Town Meeting in 1977, so that, if funds are appropriated, construction may commence in mid-1977.

Acoustic modifications and masonry corrections for the Pierce School were authorized by the Annual Town Meeting in 1976 and the work was completed during the summer recess.

The Lincoln School Feasibility Study, to investigate various alternatives for the Lincoln-Sewall School District, was begun in the fall and will be ready for presentation to the 1977 Annual Town Meeting.

Valuation of projects in design and construction under the administration of the Building Commission approximates \$16 million.

As in prior years, the Building Commission takes this opportunity to thank the interested agencies which provided input and assistance in the execution of the Town's Building Program.

## Board of Appeals

The Board of Appeals had 88 cases before them during the year. This was a slight decrease over the previous year due to an amendment to the Zoning By-law which eliminated Board of Appeal action on conforming signs when the petitioner, Planning Board and Building Commissioner all agree on the proposal.

Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40A, the Zoning Enabling Act was amended by Chapter 808 of the Acts of 1975, effective January 1, 1976, with full implementation required by June 30, 1978. This has resulted in a high degree of complexity and an increased administrative workload connected with each case.



# HUMAN RESOURCES

## Health Department

Most Brookline residents agree that there is nothing more vital to this community than its "health" — the health of the individual citizens and the health of Brookline as a society. Yet few Brookline residents will agree on the definition of and the means for achieving our highest attainable level of individual and social health. Should government (local, state or federal) play a greater role in health care affairs? Is national health insurance an answer? Should we expect more from private hospitals or should we develop more local public programs? Are we satisfied with the quality of life shared by our elderly and are we satisfied with the health care of our children? In 1976, we were not only uncertain of the answers, we were also unsure of the questions.

One partial answer gained wide acceptance in 1976. That is, the health, both of individuals and of our community, is much more a function of individual behavior and of the environment, and less a function of expensive, acute medical care. Historically, the only true advances achieved in the last two hundred years in the public's health have resulted from fundamental public health measures — improved nutrition and housing, provision of safe water and milk supplies, improvement in both personal and food hygiene, and the efficient disposal of sewage. Secondary advances in health status resulted from the control of communicable diseases.

For the future, any major improvements in the health status of Brookline will result from collective changes in individuals' life styles, effective implementation of programs for prevention and for community health education, improvement in the environment, and better structuring of the health care delivery system.

The major health problems in Brookline today are heart disease, cancer, strokes, and accidents. Just imagine what would be the health effects on Brookline if we stopped smoking, if we improved our dietary habits, if we exercised regularly, if we drove at safer speeds and wore seat belts, and if we reduced or totally eliminated our intake of alcohol.

Brookline residents have traditionally recognized the importance of good health and have supported

public health programs by supporting the goals of the Health Department: (1) to protect the health of the individual from environmental hazards and (2) to promote the health of residents through a variety of community health services. The Brookline Health Department also has a mandate to help insure the availability of comprehensive health/medical care to all its citizens.

The Brookline Health Department operates on the philosophy that, in order to meet these goals in a time of fiscal austerity, the Department should make maximum use of existing public and private health/medical care resources, should provide direct services only when they are not available and affordable elsewhere or are best provided by a local public health agency, and should use its legal powers when necessary for public protection. A review of Health Department achievements in 1976 will indicate how this philosophy is applied despite a declining budget.

### Administration

For improved effectiveness and efficiencies, 1976 saw a slight realignment of Health Department services into three major divisions: Environmental Health Services, School and Child Health Services, and Community Health Services. In 1976, the Health Department was extremely fortunate in attracting Ms. Dorcas Grigg-Saito, a recent master's degree graduate from the Harvard School of Public Health, to serve a multi-functional role in the Health Department as the Director of the Community Health Services division, the Community Health Educator, and the Health Planner. There is now a logical concentration of inter-related activities for a truly effective community health service. Mr. Raymond Wagner continues his vital role as Director of Environmental Health Services. Dr. Gloria Rudisch now has responsibilities for all Child Health Programs provided by the Town, and continues as Brookline's School Physician, thus strengthening the important link between public health and school health.

### Food Sanitation

In 1976, the Brookline Health Department took a major step forward in its Food Sanitation Program,

which already enjoys a reputation as one of the best in the State, with the inauguration of a first-of-its-kind Foodservice Sanitation Course for restaurant owners and foodservice managers. This eight-week course, conducted according to national standards, was developed in cooperation with the Brookline Adult Education Division and the Department of Hotel, Food and Travel Management of Bunker Hill Community College. Thirty-five Brookline foodservice managers successfully completed the course and a second course is planned for the spring of 1977. Education, both of the food provider and of the food consumer, is the key to successful food sanitation and the reduction of foodborne illness.

### **Housing Sanitation**

The quality of a community's housing bears directly on the physical, social, and mental well-being of its inhabitants. Building upon efforts of previous years, and with the increased cooperation of the Assistant Town Counsel and the Brookline Rent Control Board, the Health Department significantly reduced the number of reported housing code violations. A clear indication of the Health Department's desirable impact upon the level of housing sanitation and housing code compliance in the community occurred when the Rent Control Board's General Adjustment of Rents was implemented. The Adjustment included a provision that any rent adjustment would be delayed if a serious code violation existed. Of over 11,000 rent-controlled units in Brookline, only 45 units were found to have serious code violations, at a time when there existed very strong economic incentives for tenants to report violations.

### **Pre-School Health**

The Health Department's high priority, three-part program for children from birth to school-age continued to be fine-tuned in 1976 and continued to gain wider acceptance. First, the Health Department's Pediatric Nurse Practitioner made 261 newborn home visits in 1976 with 30 children being referred to the Department's Well-Child Clinic, the second part of the pre-school program. The Clinic now provides high quality, comprehensive preventive and educational health care for infants and toddlers along with early screening and diagnosis, treatment referrals, and counseling. As with the Dental Clinic population, these children, because of family income limitations, would not receive this type of care elsewhere. 131 children made 520 visits to the Clinic in 1976. Thirdly, the Health Department conducted another in its series of eight-week courses for new parents, covering such topics as dental health, nutrition, childhood illness, growth and development, accident preven-

tion, first aid, and parenting. The evaluations of the three courses held to date clearly indicate that parents are, as a result of the course, making several key changes in their parenting and child health practices.

### **Lead Poisoning**

Lead Poisoning is still a very real and very dangerous health problem in Brookline. In 1976, 500 children, ages 1 to 5 years, were screened for lead poisoning; 4 children had confirmed high lead levels and were referred for treatment.

### **Day Care**

1976 marked a major turning point in the Health Department's efforts during the past several years to help raise the standards of day care centers in Brookline. For the first time there was the achievement of almost one-hundred percent compliance with the basic health and safety standards promulgated by the State. Because of this accomplishment, the Health Department's Day Care Center Team, which consists of a Sanitarian, Public Health Nurse, Nutritionist, and Early Childhood Education Consultant, can now work toward improving the health, education, and developmental aspects of day care centers, which care for approximately 600 Brookline youngsters.

1976 also saw the completion of the first annual Vision Screening Program for day care pupils. 457 children were examined in 1976 and 39 referrals were made for diagnosis and treatment.

### **Dental Health**

The Dental Health Program includes both pediatric clinical services for families who could not otherwise receive this care, as well as and as importantly, a variety of preventive, educational, and referral public health programs for the entire community. In 1976, comprehensive, pediatric dental care was provided to over 600 children from low- and middle-income families who have no third-party coverage and who have too many high priority demands on their limited family incomes. The list of public health dental programs include the School Dental Inspection and Education Program, Career Orientation Classes for junior and senior high school students; Operation Mouthguard; the Nursing Home Screening, Referral and Training Program; Oral Health Screening Program; the Day Care Screening and Education Program; and the Occupational Health Dental Consultation Program.

### **Adult Health**

There are several Health Department programs available to younger adults and the elderly living in Brookline which are outstanding examples of ef-



fective prevention, screening, and educational activities. No program is more successful than the Blood Pressure Clinics which are provided monthly at six sites throughout the Town. Close to 900 individuals were screened in these Clinics in 1976, many of whom have been diagnosed as hypertensive and who now require intensive education and follow-up. By early detection of high blood pressure and, more importantly, by diet and medication education, the devastating effects of stroke are reduced.

### **Communicable Diseases**

The annual report would not be complete without a discussion of the Swine Flu program. The Brookline Health Department began its preparations for this program as early as March of 1976, and beginning in July, the staff spent innumerable amounts of time and energy in the implementation of the National Influenza Immunization Program. Despite the national controversies, Brookline residents should take pride in the manner in which the Town responded. Clinics, staffed by many volunteers, were held in every neighborhood throughout the Town and were conducted in a quiet, dignified, personal manner. Close to 6,500 individuals were immunized in the Health Department Clinics and over 12,000 doses of the vaccine distributed by the Health Department to local physicians. Since the Health Department had the foresight to use the bivalent vaccine, which provided protection against both the A/Swine Flu and the A/Victoria Flu, residents are now protected in a greater number than ever before against the A/Victoria Flu. The A/Victoria Flu is most likely to appear in Massachusetts this year. Over 60% of the 6,500 clinic patients were in the high-risk category, which means that Brookline can expect a reduction in deaths and serious illness due to the flu because of the Brookline Health Department's Influenza Program.

Epidemics and communicable diseases were no strangers to the Health Department in 1976. In March of 1976, 60 Brookline High School students returned from a Vermont ski trip with an outbreak of what appeared to be a gastrointestinal disease. 45 of the 60 students and some family members were affected by the disease. The Health Department organized its personnel in Environmental Health Services and School and Child Health Services, investigated each case, and maintained constant communications with all 45 families. The Health Department also coordinated efforts of experts from the Federal Center for Disease Control and the Vermont Health Department. Finally, the Center for Disease Control determined the source of the epidemic to be an untreated water supply and ordered the State of Vermont to make an immediate correction. Spread of the disease within



*Over 6,000 citizens of the Town received the flu vaccine in the late fall of 1976.*

Brookline was halted by educating each family in personal hygiene; and eventually, each affected child received, through the School Health Services, an injection of gamma-globulin to protect them against the possibility of Hepatitis.

Not long after this episode, the Health Department became aware of a possible outbreak of Psittacosis, or parrot fever. Again, manpower resources of the Health Department and, in this case, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and Department of Agriculture and the Center of Disease Control were called in under the coordination of the Brookline Health Department. As a result of actions taken directly by the Health Department, a pet shop in Brookline, the source of this outbreak, was closed for several days until corrections were made and thus a possible community outbreak was prevented.

In the fall of 1976, six Brookline residents, three of whom were hospitalized, were diagnosed as having a foodborne disease, known as Shigellosis. By rapid implementation of standard epidemiological procedures, the Health Department's Food Sanitarians were able to determine the source of this outbreak, and further spread and repetition of this incident were prevented.

### **Substance Abuse**

The growing public recognition of the direct relationship between personal health and the excessive use of alcohol, and of legal and illicit drugs necessitates the inclusion in local public health programs of systematic efforts to deal with problems of self-abusing behavior. Brookline's program, which was established in 1973, has three major components: treatment coordination of in-

dividual cases, community education and information to promote public awareness and primary prevention, and counseling of abusers' family and friends. Over 400 Brookline residents have entered the program and over 1,000 telephone calls have been received. This program has been one that has been of service to all social and economic classes in Brookline.

### 1976 Statistical Highlights

- 2,649 visits were made to Blood Pressure Clinics.
- 6,356 people were immunized against influenza.
- 3,018 school children received dental inspection resulting in 348 referrals.
- 282 residents who had no source of dental care were screened and referred to private dentists or other dental clinics.
- 640 children were treated by the Dental Clinic.
- 60 health education articles were written for the local newspaper.
- 2,256 visits were made by Town employees to the Occupational Health Clinic.
- 75 people were served in the Court Alcohol Programs.
- 131 children were enrolled in Well-Child Clinic.
- The Brookline Visiting Nurse Service conducted 155 Health Consultation Clinics for the elderly during 1976 and made 248 special-need home visits.
- 98 residents were referred to treatment programs for alcohol and drug counseling and 49 residents received limited direct counseling services at the Health Department.
- 102 TB tests were performed, resulting in 13 positive cases referred for treatment.
- 722 dogs were immunized against rabies.
- 178 residents were examined at Glaucoma/Oral Cancer Screening Clinics, resulting in referrals.
- 3,492 food sanitation inspections were made.
- 4,532 housing inspections were made
- 67 dwelling units were inspected for lead paint.
- 1,676 solid waste complaints were answered.
- 995 measuring devices were sealed and 5,545 pre-packaged food items were checked for accuracy.

## Human Relations — Youth Resources Commission

This was a year of heightened activity for the Human Relations-Youth Resources Commission. Possibly the most peripatetic of town agencies, the Commission moved its offices for the third time in as many years to 276 Washington Street in Brookline Village. The 15 member Selectmen-appointed Commission, supplemented by six associate members, conducted 10 staff-assisted public meetings.

The Commission staff consists of a Director, Assistant Director, Youth Coordinator, Child Care Coordinator, Senior Clerk and Steno, and a Senior Clerk and Typist, and is supplemented during the summer months by a work study student and several youth worker interns.

### Affirmative Action

Section 3A of Article 28 of the Town By-Laws outlines the general duties of the Human Relations component of the Commission.

During 1976 the Commission continued to implement the Town's Affirmative Action Program for employment, vendors, and contractors. The success and reputation of this program has caused it to serve as the model for other commissions across the state.

The Commission, in conjunction with the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination and the Community Services Department of the U.S. Department of Justice, with the support of a grant from the New England Region of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, sponsored a state-wide conference on human relations and effective equal opportunity programming in the public and private sector. The conference was attended by representatives of federal, state and local government as well as by industry executives.

The Commission continued to be active in assisting developers in their effort to receive subsidies from the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency, and in designing realistic Affirmative Marketing Programs for the various housing developments within the town.

During 1976 the Human Relations-Youth Resources Commission especially concerned itself with the various aspects of the Community Development Block Grant Program. It was an active participant on the Citizen's Advisory Committee of the Central Village Rehabilitation Program, and on the Interdepartmental Coordinating Committee. We cooperated with the Planning Department in formulating the Community Development Block Grant Program Affirmative Action Program.



The Commission staff vigorously lobbied for a budget increase for the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination and testified in favor of the Governor's bill for the reorganization of that agency.

The Human Relations-Youth Resources Commission also took stands supporting the Equal Rights Amendment; reaffirmed its position in favor of the principle of METCO; and supported the position taken by the Board of Selectmen that the Town of Brookline would not deal with businesses participating in the Arab boycott of Israel.

The Commission noted an increase in the number of employment discrimination complaints filed by Brookline residents and a decrease in the number of housing discrimination complaints.

The Commission has been active in the area of reducing religious tension among youth and it has met with parents, town officials and youths of all religious persuasions in regard to the problem.

The Commission was shocked and saddened to learn of the tragic death of former member Ledonia Wright in North Carolina. A community-wide memorial service was attended by more than 100 friends and sponsored by the Commission at the Church of Our Saviour and was presided over by former Commission chairman Reverend George Blackman.

### **Youth Affairs**

The Jobs for Youth Program continued to be a major concern and priority in the response to high demand for employment. In addition to offering a means for earning income, the Commission believes that jobs provide youth with a valuable work and training experience, teach them responsibility, and afford youth from the various sectors of the community the opportunity to know one another better by working together. In some cases, jobs contribute to delinquency prevention by channeling youth energies in a constructive way.

The Commission is involved in both private sector placement of youths aged 14-22 and in obtaining subsidized positions through public service programs either designed by or made available to the agency. During the school year, most available positions are recruited from the private sector — hospitals, nursing homes, offices, stores, restaurants, movie theatres, factories, warehouses, etc. An odd-jobs program including babysitting, household chores, snow removal, gardening, yard work, and errand-running is especially designed for 14 and 15 year olds, since few private businesses will hire youths under 16 years of age. Private sector placements are also important during the summer.

The federal government's Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) continued to expand the role of this agency in coordinating and administering the federal Manpower programs offering a variety of training and employment programs for both youths and adults. The agency actively participated in the planning of programs for the Newton Sub-grantee area by serving on the Area Manpower Planning Board; made referrals to the central CETA office in Waltham; arranged the job and training positions in Brookline; counseled applicants when necessary and handled the administrative work of the Brookline programs. Approximately 12 summer and 25 after-school public service positions in Town departments and private non-profit agencies were available in 1976 for high school youths 14-22 years old through the CETA Youth Work Experience summer and in-School Programs. Eligibility for this federally-subsidized program is determined by family income.

A new dimension was added to the public sector programs through the allocation of Community Development Act Central Village Program funds. During the summer, 127 youths (13 of whom served as supervisors), were placed in public and private non-profit departments and agencies. Emphasis was made on community development projects in job sites located in the Central Village. Through CDA, seventeen (17) youths were placed in after-school positions, several of whom were involved in a joint project with Brookline High School which combines job placement with skills acquired in the Industrial Arts program. Criteria for participation in the CDA programs are: residence in the area designated as Central Village, being between the ages of 14 and 22, and compliance with lower-middle income guidelines established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The Mini-Public Service Program, supported by the Town of Brookline, provided another source for summer employment in the public and private non-profit agencies. One hundred and twelve high school aged youths from every precinct in Brookline were placed.

All three government subsidized programs not only benefited the participants, but also increased the level of services which the town departments could provide. The agency received letters from all department heads involved expressing appreciation for the program and acknowledging the outstanding work of the youths.

The following statistics present a quantitative summary of the *Jobs for Youth Program in 1976*.

After School-Private Sector .....	275
After School-Public Sector .....	42
Summer-Private Sector .....	109
Summer-Public Sector .....	360
Full Time/Permanent-Private Sector .....	10
Full-Time-Public Service Employment.....	6
CETA Full-Time Training Program.....	5
Total Number of Placements .....	807
Total Number Interviewed .....	1027

Another major area of priority and emphasis continued to be the Parks, Playgrounds and Streets Program utilizing the detached worker concept to prevent problems and to respond to neighborhood complaints, which, for the most part, concerned excessive noise, debris and vandalism. Thirteen youth worker interns were assigned to Dean, Eliot, Lawrence, Clark, Robinson, Coolidge, Cypress, Downes, Corey, Driscoll, Griggs and Larz Anderson Parks and Playgrounds and the Coolidge Corner area. The agency cooperated with and had the full support of the Recreation Department, Police Department, the Courts and the neighborhood associations. As a result of the close cooperation of the police and the relationships between the interns and the youths, the high level of noise was curbed, the areas were generally cleared of debris, and there was a drastic reduction in vandalism. It is well to note that unlike many of the surrounding communities, there were no serious disturbances or confrontations between the youths, adults or town agencies.

During 1976, the agency received many requests from the surrounding communities regarding our

detached worker program and our summer youth job program. These communities are presently in the process of using the model which this agency has initiated and implemented to meet their respective problems.

The Commission continued to provide several services to Brookline child care facilities and to families who needed day care for their children. Included in these services were information and referral; the publication of free guide to Brookline child care services, annually revised; organizing and giving technical assistance to child care programs, including all after-school day care programs operating in Brookline elementary schools; coordinating resources and in-service training programs for child care staff; advocating the improved delivery of children's services and for individual children in need of help; and serving as liaison with state and town departments.

Believing in its objectives, goals and philosophy, and impressed by its effectiveness, the Commission continued support for the New Perspectives School, an alternative high school serving youths who have left or been expelled from the public school system. By devoting special attention to the psychological and social growth of its students, as well as to their educational and vocational needs, New Perspectives has been able to provide positive and constructive opportunities for youth.

Support was also maintained for the Brookline Arts Center. Aside from its regular course selection, the Arts Center conducted vacation and evening drop-ins for youth.



*Human Relations-Youth Resources Commission Chairman Myron S. Alexander and Board of Selectmen Chairman Robert C. Cochrane, Jr. present a gift to retiring Commission Vice-chairman Shirley L. McGarry. Pictured from left to right: Selectman Judah M. Stone; Human Relations-Youth Resources Commission Chairman Myron S. Alexander; Human Relations-Youth Resources Commission member Agnes M. Rogers; Dr. Louis McGarry; Human Relations-Youth Resources Commission Vice-chairman Shirley L. McGarry; Selectman Robert C. Cochrane, Jr.; Selectman Edward Novakoff.*



## Council on Aging

The Council on Aging operates five neighborhood based Multi-Service Senior Centers, where the Town's human services are delivered on a comprehensive, coordinated basis to provide support for a dignified existence in the community for senior citizens and for handicapped adults.

The Centers are located at 61 Park Street; 50 Pleasant Street; 90 Longwood Avenue; Pierce School and the Devotion School. The staff is composed of professionals, para-professionals and volunteers.

### Services to Individuals

Elderly residents in need of information or assistance are frequent callers at the Centers, where an average of 550 contacts are recorded daily. Where appropriate, a referral is made to an agency which provides the needed service. When the requested service is not offered elsewhere, members of the Center staff provide assistance. Calls for help in critical situations are handled by professional Counselors who make home visits to make assessments, and aid is then provided by appropriate agencies in cooperation with Multi-Service staff.

Emergency Medical I.D. Cards are issued at each Multi-Service Center. In addition to expediting necessary medical care in an emergency, these wallet size cards enable the bearer to discounts at movie theaters, hairdressing shops, cleaners, and other local business establishments.

### Group Work

Through the cooperation of the School Department, hot lunches at a cost of 50c, are provided each weekday at each of the five Centers. During school vacation periods, the hot lunches for senior citizens continue without interruption, through the cooperation of Community Aides and Volunteers.

Food Cooperatives are operated for Elderly Housing tenants at O'Shea House and the Morse Apartments. Home Delivered Meals are provided on a short-term, emergency basis. A doctor or nurse's referral is required.



*Marjorie Foval, retired teacher and Brookline resident, is greeted on her 97th birthday by Evelyn Greenman, Director of the Council on Aging.*

The two Brookline Taxi Companies continue to supply vehicles and drivers as a public service for use by frail elderly and handicapped residents to enable them to reach medical facilities, food markets and senior programs.

A minibus on a specially planned fixed route provides transportation for a growing number of senior citizens, enabling them to remain in the mainstream of town activities.

The Multi-Service Senior Centers, in cooperation with other public and private agencies, sponsor group programs planned particularly for older people. The staff of the Adult Education Division of the Public Schools, the Recreation Department and the Library, working as an inter-agency team, provide the main framework of an impressive calendar of daily events for Senior Citizens in their retirement years. The Brookline *Chronicle-Citizen* continues to contribute generous space in their weekly publication to publicize the calendar of events and other announcements by the Multi-Service Centers.

## Veterans' Services

The Department of Veterans' Services is mandated by Chapter 115, as amended, of the General Laws of Massachusetts, to provide financial assistance to the veteran and his or her dependents in needy circumstances. These benefits cover living expenses, in accordance with the State-approved Budget, plus medical needs. One-half of all funds expended are returned to the Town by the Commonwealth.

Each application for financial assistance is given careful consideration and the information is confidential. The state authorized an increase in allowable expenditures on September 1, 1976 in order to offset the constant increase in living expenses.

During 1976, despite a constant caseload, the Department has been successful in converting many of its cases to sources of benefits other than Town-funded veterans' benefits. This effort has reduced the Town's outlay for those benefits by about 50%.

A generation has grown up since the end of World War II. The older veteran, when laid off, finds it

very difficult to find employment. In many instances the veteran has exhausted Unemployment Compensation benefits. All are referred to the C.E.T.A. (Comprehensive Employment Training Act) office, where some success has been had in finding suitable positions. Unemployed veterans are also referred to the Division of Employment Security.

The Social Security Office has been very cooperative and full advantage is taken of the Supplemental Security Income Program.

As in the past we have used U.S. Veterans Administration facilities whenever possible, thus saving town resources and assisting the veteran get the best possible treatment.

A very significant phase of the Department's work is "Services." This covers all information requested pertaining to Veterans' rights and assistance in filing the specific Federal or State form. Departmental personnel are well versed in this area and the citizens have voiced their appreciation for the services rendered.



*Memorial Day, 1976 – commemorative exercises at the Civil War Monument near the Main Library.*



Due to many changes in needed space in the Town Hall, the Department was moved from the original office on the second floor to the third floor in April.

This year, for the first time, the Town was honored to have the United States Army Band of New England in the Memorial Day Parade. The hymn played at the Soldiers Monument was outstanding, and many favorable comments were received. The Chief Marshall and his Staff led the parade, followed by the Board of Selectmen and Members of the General Court. Other contingents included representatives of the veterans' organizations,

their auxiliaries, Gold Star Parents, Marine Corps, USS Yosemite, Coast Guard, Police, Fire, Brookline High School Band, Cub Scouts and St. Mary's Color Guard. The responsibility of decorating all veterans' graves in Brookline cemeteries was duly performed.

Early in 1976 John T. Connor retired as Director of Veterans' Services after over 45 years in service to the Town. The Board of Selectmen subsequently appointed Mr. Thomas F. Larkin the position of Director. Mr. Larkin had served as Assistant Director in the department for 23 years.

## Rent Control Board

The Rent Control Board began the year under the new Rent Control By-law, Article XXXVIII of the Town By-laws, which replaced the State Rent Control Act under which the Town had operated since 1970. The transition from one law to another went smoothly due to the similarity of both laws and the readoption by the Board of its prior rules, regulations and policies. The current Board members were all reappointed by the Selectmen to administer the provisions of the new By-law and David Pfeiffer continued to serve as Chairman of the Board throughout the year.

During fiscal year 1976 the Rent Control Board processed a total of 846 cases, which included the hearing of 543 petitions and applications, issuing 45 proposed decisions and having 258 cases settled or withdrawn by consent of the parties.

There was an increase in the number of landlord petitions filed for rent increases based solely on capital improvements. This was attributable largely to major changes in the Board's capital improvements policy during the year, the most important of which was the 15% annual rate of return allowed on the unamortized cost of capital improvements exceeding \$2,500.

After holding a public hearing in June, the Board voted a general adjustment of 5.7% effective December 1, 1976. The overall increase was based on increases in the following categories: (1) 1976-1977 property tax increase; (2) maintenance; (3) fuel; (4) common area electricity; (5) water; (6) management and (7) insurance. Any property which had a serious Health Code violation, as determined by the Brookline Health Department, in effect before December 1, 1976, would be ineligible to receive the increase. However, if the violation was subsequently corrected, the increase would become effective on the first day of the next

rental period. There were several eligible classes of varying percentages — from 1.6% to 5.7% — depending on when the property last had an individual decision and on whether or not the landlord provided water, fuel and common area electricity.

The general adjustment notices were mailed out by the Board to over 1,000 landlords and to over 10,000 tenants well within the time constraints established for each group so that each would be aware of its legal rights and responsibilities under the provisions of the general adjustment regulation.

The year was one of change in other areas as well. The office was relocated to the second floor of Town Hall; the staff investigators changed their titles to hearing examiners to better reflect their functions; and there were several new staff people who joined the agency during the year.

On December 31, 1976, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court upheld the Rent Control Board in a case of major significance. It reaffirmed the method of judicial review of rent control decisions as was stated in a prior Supreme Judicial Court decision on the same issue and, further, upheld the Board's long standing policy of excluding mortgage financing as an operating expense. It was an important case because the Court approved of the overall policies and procedures followed by the Board in recent years in the determination of rents.

In another case of significance, the Rent Control Board was successful in obtaining a finding of guilty from a Norfolk Superior Court jury against a landlord who charged his tenants in excess of the rent-controlled maximum. Such vigilance by the Board assures all landlords and tenants that the provisions of the law are being strictly enforced.

# NATURAL RESOURCES & RECREATION

## Park and Recreation Commission

### PARK DIVISION

The Park and Recreation Commission continued its effort in upgrading a most popular recreation activity — tennis. Due to the flooding of the Beacon (Dean Road) tennis courts, caused by a break in a watermain, the five clay tennis courts had to be reconstructed and are now of a permanent hard-top surface known as grasstex, which does not require daily maintenance. Also, the three hard-surface courts were reconstructed, making a total of eight new courts at this complex.

The three Longwood tennis courts, and the combination multiple play area — tennis court at the Baldwin school were resurfaced. Brookline now has thirty-four public tennis courts throughout the Town, including six clay type courts, and twenty-eight hard surface courts. Receipts from tennis fees increased to an all-time high of \$22,333.

The Putterham Meadows Golf Course once again experienced a most successful season. The total revenue for the calendar year 1976 was \$152,701.10, a record high.

The inadequacy of the Field House and playing facilities at Harry Downes Field was highlighted by an inspection and review by the Park and Recreation Commission, along with members of the School Committee, resulting in a request to the Board of Selectmen for a feasibility study to take place immediately and in order to have a redesign and reconstruction article for the annual Town Meeting in April, 1977. The Anderson Park Skating Rink enjoyed a most successful season.

The Park and Recreation Commission approved the resurfacing of the Eliot tennis courts and multiple play area and the Baker School tennis courts and will seek funding at the Annual Town Meeting.

The Boylston Playground redesign and reconstruction plans were approved by the Commission, which will request construction funds at the 1977 Annual Town Meeting.

Emphasis, the past year, was placed on improved, more frequent maintenance due to the increased use of all park facilities.

### RECREATION DIVISION

Even though 1976 saw a 10% reduction in staff, the Recreation Department's efforts culminated in successful quality recreation programs for all age groups.

Every on-going activity brought increases in attendance and interest, and the programs continued to flourish at all levels. Some new leisure-time sessions were introduced and proved to be well-attended by the highly-motivated Senior Citizens of the Town. Included were Square Dancing, Bridge, and Yoga classes at the Devotion School, given in conjunction with the Adult Education Department. The Holiday party of the Golden Agers, held annually in December, this year had almost 800 in attendance — a new record. Despite a raging downpour, they came, and enjoyed a wonderful evening of food, entertainment, brotherhood, and good will.

A valuable incentive was added to our very popular exercise classes this year. A nutrition class, held in conjunction with the Health Department, was available to overweight women anxious to improve and change their eating habits on the road to good health.

At the Swimming Pool, in addition to all regular schedules, four new sessions for lap swimming were added by popular demand.

At a banquet in December, 105 volunteers, ranging in age from 12 to 88 were honored. The variety of programs in which they volunteered included hockey, baseball, softball, football, tennis, work with the mentally-retarded and/or handicapped, storytelling, and Golden Age. Principal featured speaker that evening was Mrs. Michael Dukakis. Kitty was the first modern dance volunteer in the department.

A winter vacation feature, eagerly awaited annually by children in grades 5 through 8, was the Ski Trip to North Conway, New Hampshire. Approximately 100 were bussed to that popular resort for 3 days of lessons, tow lifts, and new ability on the slopes of Mt. Cranmore. All expenses for the trip were absorbed by the parents.



Rehabilitation of the James J. Lynch Recreation Center continued to hold first priority with the Park and Recreation Commission.

At our annual in-service training sessions held for all staff before the opening of playgrounds and day camps, those in attendance were fortunate to be able to hear many talks by experts in various phases of recreation. Among the speakers was Dr. John Cheffers, Associate Professor at Boston University in the Department of Health, Movement, and Leisure Services.

The Climax of the Bicentennial Celebration in the Town took place on June 20 when the Recreation Department, in conjunction with the Bicentennial Committee, saw the realization of many weeks of planning, working, and dreaming. The crowds at Anderson Park for the all-day events reached a peak of 10,000 who came to picnic, participate, and watch the magnificent series of activities. The

day, which also fell on Brookline's 271st birthday, was filled with a myriad of events including fire engine rides, all-star softball games, magic shows, juggling, the National Theatre for Children, Brookline's own Rockettes, a baton twirling exhibition, an art exhibit, band concerts, both jazz and military, aerial sculptures, and Bicentennial ceremonies with many prominent people on hand. All features were free and open to the public. The day was most successful and satisfying to all who honored our country's birthday.

The CETA employees proved to be a valuable supplement to the regular staff in the areas of filming and nature activities and tennis.

In retrospect, the Recreation Department is very grateful to all cooperating Town agencies, whose assistance has proven invaluable. Our Department will make every effort to continue to capably fill the Recreation needs of our Community.

### Tree Planting Committee

Tree removal continued as the number one priority of the Forestry Department through 1976. Dead or diseased trees, a total of 492, appeared to reach a peak this year. Assuming that the rate will remain the same throughout 1977, it is safe to predict that the number will decrease to about 250 new dead or diseased trees during the ensuing calendar year. This, of course, is due to the decrease in population of the elms and sugar maples.

As of April 30, 1976, the backlog, for the first time in several years, was near zero. Since that date,

492 new dead or diseased trees were recorded. Of this number, 372 were removed as of December 31, 1976.

It now appears that, barring any new tree disease epidemic or other natural disaster, the Forestry Department will be able to handle its work load with inhouse personnel. The only exception would be an annual cooperative contract with the utility companies where wires are involved with pruning operations. This type of contract has proven to be in the best interest of the Town.



*Officers and Members of the Brookline High School Ecology Club, in conjunction with the Brookline Forestry Department, plant a tree near the Brookline High School in commemoration of Arbor Day.*

Again this year there was no progress with the rotation program of tree pruning and general maintenance. The removal of large deadwood (spot pruning) was accomplished on a few streets, or sections of streets, after numerous reports were received. For the most part these were areas where oak trees predominate.

Removal work priority again prevented pruning for better street lighting at more than 1,000 locations.

Approximately 1,000 work orders and calls to the Forestry Service Station were taken care of in the appropriate manner. These calls, for the most part, were for hanging limbs, limbs down, limbs interfering with pedestrian or vehicular traffic, trees hit by cars or snow plows and storm damage.

Based on a formula worked out in 1969, when all tree disposal was weighed and recorded, it is estimated that a total of over 1,000 tons of wood, brush and debris was handled by the Forestry Department this year. A small percentage of this was recycled as firewood and wood chip mulch. The bulk, however, were diseased Elm logs which were stored in the area of the Department of Public Works solid waste transfer station complex.

The year saw an ambitious tree planting program, including the doubling of the usual fall tree planting — 212 trees. A total of 749 trees were planted, which included 19 different species.

The spray program was designed to slow the spread of Dutch Elm disease, insect pests and poison ivy.

The Department received an unusual number of calls for control of bees, hornets, and wasps.

In the continuing search for an effective cure or control of the Dutch Elm disease, 45 Elms were injected with a new chemical, "lignasan," which was approved by the U.S.D.A. in June of 1976. Some of the trees injected were infected with Dutch Elm disease while others were injected while still healthy. A full evaluation of this experimental program cannot be made until the next growing season. Preliminary observation indicates, however, that the attempt to prevent a healthy tree from being infected shows promise, while the hope of curing an infected tree has failed.

## Conservation Commission

The past year was particularly significant for the Brookline Conservation Commission, in that it marked the end of one era and the beginning of another. Since its inception in 1966, The Commission has been primarily involved in establishing the direction, scope, and methodology for pursuing its goal of preserving and enhancing Brookline's environment. 1976 saw the completion of some significant tools for effecting this effort, and allowing the thrust of the Commission's policy to shift from Development to Implementation.

"Open Space in Brookline: An Analysis and Plan" is undoubtedly the most important manifestation of this transition. In establishing guidelines for achieving open space amenities, updating existing plans in conformance with State and Federal requirements for funding, and intending to generate an awareness and dialogue regarding open space planning, this document provides a comprehensive structure and goal for our many varied projects.

One such project which supports the stated objectives of the Commission and The Open Space Plan is the Environmental Information Package. Primarily the effort of Audubon Intern, Ella Sullivan, this project is "an attempt to present an organized and systematic flow of environmental information to

community groups and teachers in Brookline." It, and our other recent publication, "Conservation Restrictions in Brookline" are testimony to the Commission's continuing commitment to inform interested citizens of the issues surrounding our environment.

The Conservation Commission also realized a transition in personnel in 1976. With the departure of Linda Kohn and Guy Rosmarin, the Commission was fortunate to obtain the participation of two new Commissioners, Joan J. Fried and Iris Diamond Linson. Mary P. Nelson, past Chairman and the person most responsible for bringing The Open Space Plan to fruition, assumed the Chairmanship and the responsibility for guiding the Commission in the next year. Particularly significant was the resignation of Hooper Brooks as Director. For the past three years, his efforts along with Conservation Assistant, Ellen Watson, have been invaluable in providing the necessary operational and managerial talents to keep the Commission a vital force in the Town.

While this report deals with change and transition, certain aspects of the Commission remain constant. Our commitment not only to acquire open space, but to maintain and enhance what we have acquired, was complemented by the establishment





*Massachusetts Secretary of Environmental Affairs Evelyn Murphy presents Brookline Conservation officials and legislators with a check amounting to 50% of the Hall's Pond acquisition and development costs.*

of the Friends of Hall's Pond, an organization of dedicated volunteers who work with the Commission and embody the kind of community dialogue which the Commission feels is essential to its effectiveness. In this regard, we are grateful to the Radcliffe Institute for developing the planting plan for Hall's Pond, and the many townspeople who participated in the fifth annual Earth Day, a Commission-sponsored event, at Hall's Pond.

Also unchanged in 1976, was the Commission's need for gifts of restrictions, land and money to expand our efforts in preserving the environment. We were again fortunate to be assisted in this area by a number of private individuals and foundations, and we look forward to continuing support of the Conservation Fund in the coming year.

While the Conservation Commission is always anxious to assume new responsibilities in areas relating to the environment (administration of the HUD Flood Plain Insurance Program was assumed by

the Commission in the past year), we nevertheless maintain our commitment to a number of ongoing efforts. We are anticipating some significant developments in the Charles-to-Charles Corridor project, the result of groundwork laid in this and past years. The Commission also continued to participate in a number of Town policy-shaping bodies, such as the Growth Policy Committee and the Selectmen's Steering Committee on Planning and Rehabilitation in order that future Town-wide decisions address themselves to environmental concerns.

The Brookline Conservation Commission, in this its decennial year, is grateful to all those who have supported it in its growth and development. While sensing that much of the growing pains are now behind us, we look forward to the same support in confronting those situations which will mark the implementation of programs spawned in these early years.

# FINANCE

## Board of Assessors

The Board in 1976 consisted of Francis E. Ryan, Chairman; Aryeh R. Friedman, and George F. McNeilly. Robert A. Merritt was reappointed Assistant Assessor.

The Assessors wish to bring the following facts to the attention of the townspeople. This was the first year since the revaluation program of 1968 that saw a reduction in the gross valuation of the Town. This was partly due to the conversion of taxable properties within the Town to tax-exempt status; to lack of new construction and renovation of existing properties; to general economic conditions; and to a rising tax rate causing abatement problems on commercial properties and apartment complexes. The Assessors have had to face the added burden of "disproportion" cases being brought, in connection with appeals before the

Appellate Tax Board, due to the fact that assessed values of property are not at full and fair cash value. We cannot emphasize too strongly the need for a complete updating of values and conversion of assessment records to a computerized system. We seek the support of our Town officials and Town Meeting Members in our request for funds to carry out this program.

The net amount to be raised by direct taxation for fiscal year 1977 was \$40,135,146.30. The tax rate was set on September 10, 1976, and was approved by the State Tax Commission at \$89.00 per thousand dollars of valuation.

The following figures afford a comparison of the Town's tax structure, including valuations, appropriations, assessments, and receipts:

### COMPARATIVE AMOUNTS TO BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED

	<i>Fiscal 1976</i>	<i>Fiscal 1977</i>	<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
Appropriations	\$39,847,127.33	\$42,969,195.29	\$3,122,067.96	
From Available Funds	2,327,400.29	2,537,094.32	209,694.03	
Court Judgments	63,855.97			\$ 63,855.97
Overlay Deficits	169,441.25	435,757.29	266,316.04	
State Exam. Retirement	1,255.50	2,144.00	888.50	
Municipal Accounts Audit	17,676.01	—		17,676.01
MDC Parks	630,656.56	641,141.89	10,485.33	
MDC Sewer	397,713.86	433,156.23	35,442.37	
MDC Water	639,793.44	655,500.24	15,706.80	
Boston Met. District Expenses	1,223.95	1,223.95		
MBTA Deficit	2,154,359.00	2,238,520.00	84,161.00	
Elderly Retiree Program	7,680.20	13,138.77	5,458.57	
Excise Bills	3,539.85	5,020.05	1,480.20	
Air Pollution Control	5,139.36	4,187.50		951.86
Special Education (1972-766)	111,695.00	84,357.00		27,338.00
Met. Area Planning Council	8,763.75	7,468.97		1,294.78
Underestimates & County Deficits	241,201.55	64,032.34		177,169.21
County Tax	1,131,128.71	1,100,647.52		30,481.19
County Hospital	80,659.72	120,989.58	40,329.86	
Overlay	843,710.00	800,000.00		43,710.00
Direct Expenditure	402,110.38	584,599.59	182,489.21	
Net Increase	\$49,086,131.68	\$52,698,174.53	\$3,974,519.87	\$362,477.02
			\$3,612,042.85	



## COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

	<i>Fiscal 1976</i>	<i>Fiscal 1977</i>	<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
Available Funds	\$ 1,177,400.29	\$ 1,837,094.32	\$ 659,694.03	
Available Funds to Reduce Rate	1,000,000.00	750,000.00		\$250,000.00
Federal Revenue Sharing	1,150,000.00	700,000.00		450,000.00
Overestimates	27,052.02	470,120.54	443,068.52	
Estimated Receipts	<u>7,646,230.57</u>	<u>8,805,813.37</u>	<u>1,159,582.80</u>	
	\$11,000,682.88	\$12,563,028.23	\$2,262,345.35	\$700,000.00
Net Increase			\$1,562,345.35	
Amounts to Be Borrowed	\$ 450,000.00	\$ 155,000.00		\$295,000.00
Net Amount to Be Raised	\$38,085,448.80	\$40,135,146.30	\$2,049,697.50	

## COMPARATIVE VALUATIONS

Land	\$131,686,700.00	\$131,372,400.00		\$314,300.00
Buildings	302,100,000.00	299,541,700.00		2,558,300.00
Total Real Estate	433,786,700.00	430,914,100.00		2,872,600.00
Personal	19,611,500.00	20,042,600.00	\$431,100.00	
Total Value	453,398,200.00	450,956,700.00		2,441,500.00
Excise Through 12/31	45,613,155.00	35,948,290.00		9,664,865.00

## Treasurer and Collector

### TREASURER'S REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Cash on hand December 31, 1975...	\$ 3,075,928.01
1976 Receipts .....	<u>117,409,048.33</u>
Total.....	120,484,976.34
1976 Disbursements .....	<u>117,204,762.38</u>
Cash on hand December 31, 1976...	\$ 3,280,213.96

#### DETAILED STATEMENT OF CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 1976

Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co. ....	\$ 54,924.70
Brookline Cooperative Bank — Anti-Recession Grant.....	41,070.00
Brookline Trust Co. ....	647,462.05
Capitol Bank & Trust Co. ....	311,859.17
First National Bank of Boston .....	10,000.00
Harbor National Bank of Boston .....	41,796.94
National Shawmut Bank of Boston .....	792,928.11
New England Merchants National Bank.....	374,471.61
New England Merchants National Bank — Capital Improvements Account.....	585,026.59
Norfolk County Trust Co. — Federal Grant Code Enforcement Program .....	455.08
Norfolk County Trust Co. Code Enforcement Program Cash Escrow .....	1,217.00

Norfolk County Trust Co. — 701 Comprehensive Planning Grant....	602.77
Norfolk County Trust Co. — Community Development Grant ...	39.34
Norfolk County Trust Co. — Community Development Program Cash Escrow.....	115,768.60
Town Bank & Trust Co.....	40,000.00
U.S. Trust Co. ....	156,475.99
Unity Bank & Trust Co. ....	10,000.00
Cash and Checks in Office .....	89,546.44
Cash Memorandum.....	<u>6,569.57</u>
Total.....	\$3,280,213.96

#### DETAILED STATEMENT OF TOTAL FUNDED DEBT DECEMBER 31, 1976

<b>Schools and Sites</b>	
*High School Gymnasium .....	\$570,000.00
*High School Addition (1964).....	270,000.00
*Runkle School Construction (1961) .....	35,000.00
Land Acquisition — Pierce School .....	105,000.00
*Pierce School Construction (1971)	3,660,000.00
Land Acquisition — Lincoln School	240,000.00
*Lawrence School Addition (1972) ..	1,750,000.00
Lawrence School Equipment .....	10,000.00
*Devotion School Additions and Alterations .....	<u>4,825,000.00</u>
Subtotal .....	\$11,465,000.00

**Public Buildings and Sites**

Land Acquisition —	
Coolidge Corner.....	\$115,000.00
Branch Library —	
Pleasant St. Addition .....	165,000.00
Main Library Addition (1971) .....	835,000.00
Main Library Remodeling (1971) .....	635,000.00
Town Hall and Police Station.....	185,000.00
Fire Station — Babcock Street.....	55,000.00
*Urban Renewal — Marsh (1967).....	125,000.00
*Urban Renewal — Marsh (1969).....	190,000.00
Parking Facility — Underground	
Garage (1971).....	585,000.00
Washington Street Overpass .....	300,000.00
Solid Waste Transfer Station.....	660,000.00
Subtotal.....	<u>\$3,850,000.00</u>

**Sewers and Drains**

Construction of Sewers	
and Drains .....	\$327,000.00
Construction of Sewer —	
Brook Street.....	120,000.00
Sewer Improvement Program —	
Federal Sewer Facility Grant.....	1,065,000.00
*Construction of Water Mains.....	620,000.00
Subtotal.....	<u>\$2,132,000.00</u>
Grand Total .....	<u><u>\$17,447,000.00</u></u>

\*Outside Debt Limit

**LIMIT OF INDEBTEDNESS**

Equalized Valuation .....	\$715,000,000.00
Debt Limit — 5% .....	35,750,000.00
Amount of Debt Outside	
Debt Limit.....	12,045,000.00
Net Debt Subject to	
Debt Limit.....	5,402,000.00
Remaining Borrowing Capacity .....	30,348,000.00

**LOANS IN ANTICIPATION OF TAX REVENUE  
—1976—**

National Shawmut Bank	
of Boston .....	\$3,900,000.00
New England Merchants	
National Bank.....	1,900,000.00
First National Bank	
of Boston .....	1,450,000.00
Norfolk County Trust Co.....	1,250,000.00
Brookline Trust Co.....	250,000.00
U.S. Trust Co. ....	250,000.00
Harbor National Bank	
of Boston .....	200,000.00
Total.....	<u>\$9,200,000.00</u>
Interest Paid on Loans in	
Anticipation of Tax Revenue.....	\$34,320.76

**INTEREST EARNED ON INVESTMENTS**

Investment of Surplus Revenue .....	\$151,186.81
Investment of Bond Proceeds .....	46,967.07
Investment of Federal Revenue	
Sharing Funds.....	24,532.47
Total.....	<u>\$222,686.35</u>



## Comptroller

### Invoice Processing

During 1976 administrative procedures were instituted to expedite the payment of invoices to suppliers of services or materials, supplies and equipment to the Town. Vouchers are no longer routed to the Purchasing Department for approval prior to payment but instead go directly to the department against whose budget the invoice is to be charged. Upon approval of the department, the voucher is then forwarded to the Comptroller's Office for processing.

It is evident from the significant decrease in the amount of inquiries regarding the status of unpaid bills that the new procedure has been successful and helps to maintain the credit standing of the Town.

### Data Processing

The Board of Selectmen, the School Committee and the Advisory Committee have for several years expressed concern relative to the several computer installations in the town, their effectiveness and the costs involved.

In recognition of these concerns a Data Processing Steering Committee was formed consisting of the Planning Director, Purchasing Agent, Administrative Assistant to the Executive Secretary, Assistant Superintendent of Schools for Funds and Facilities, Comptroller and the Town and school data processing programmers. Federal funds were made available under the Comprehensive Planning Assistance Grant for consultant Services.

The survey was completed in 1976 and recommendations listed herein are currently under review:

- Employment of a qualified Director of Data Processing
- A centralized staff and facility
- Location of central facility in the High School

### Retirement System

In my report of last year, I commented on legislation which authorized cost of living adjustments for retirees subject to local appropriation. This legislation was short-lived. During the 1976 legislative

session, the Legislature restored the mandatory provisions of cost of living adjustment, as determined annually by that body, which established it at 5% effective July 1, 1976.

The pension fund appropriation for the next fiscal period has been certified at \$2,884,374, an increase of \$354,986. The Retirement Board has calculated the non-contributory pension requirement to be \$971,458, for a total pension appropriation of \$3,855,832. This excludes any cost of living adjustment, which will probably be forthcoming and will require either a reserve fund transfer or appropriation at a special town meeting.

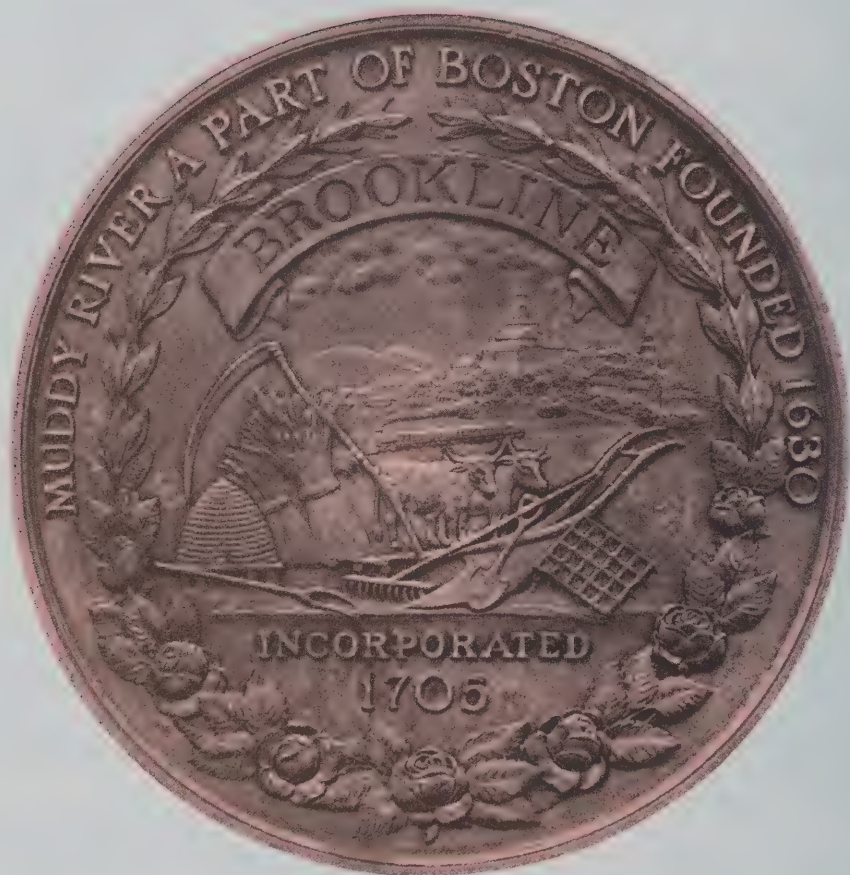
The Legislature also enacted into law fiduciary standards for public employee retirement systems which, after much discussion, resulted in a determination by your local board to employ investment counsellors. Several leading investment firms were invited to submit proposals. After considerable review the Board selected the firm of Gardner & Preston Moss Inc. to act in this capacity.

Finally, it is anticipated that the current session of the Legislature will address the problem of the "unfunded liability" of the Massachusetts Retirement Systems. It will be costly, and many believe prohibitive, if proposals being suggested at this time are ultimately enacted. Full funding may in the final analysis have to give way to partial funding over a long period of time.

It is worthy of note that the unfunded liability is a matter of great importance when local governments seek to enter the money market. New disclosure requirements by the rating services seek out this information and it is having an impact on interest rates.

The Retirement Law Commission has reported that Brookline's unfunded liability as of January 1, 1974 is \$55,213,000.

Your Comptroller is serving as a member of the Pension Task Force of the Massachusetts League of Cities and Towns. It must be recognized that funding without pension reform is totally unrealistic if the Massachusetts Retirement System is to survive.











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W A R R A N T  
FOR PRESIDENTIAL  
PRIMARIES  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF  
MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, SS

TO ANY CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE,  
GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS YOU  
ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE INHABITANTS  
OF SAID TOWN WHO ARE QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN PRIMARIES TO  
MEET IN THE DESIGNATED POLLING PLACES FOR THE SEVERAL  
PRECINCTS IN SAID TOWN ON

TUESDAY, THE SECOND DAY OF MARCH, 1976

AT 7:00 IN THE FORENOON FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

TO BRING IN THEIR VOTES TO THE PRIMARY OFFICERS FOR  
THE ELECTION OF CANDIDATES OF POLITICAL PARTIES FOR THE  
FOLLOWING OFFICES:

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE

DISTRICT MEMBERS OF THE STATE COMMITTEE  
(ONE MAN AND ONE WOMEN) FOR EACH POLITICAL PARTY FOR  
THE THIRD MIDDLESEX AND NORFOLK SENATORIAL DISTRICT

35 MEMBERS OF THE DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE

35 MEMBERS OF THE REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE

10 MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN TOWN COMMITTEE

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

HEREOF FAIL NOT AND MAKE RETURN OF THIS WARRANT WITH  
YOUR DOINGS THEREON AT THE TIME AND PLACE OF SAID

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS THIS 17TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D.,  
1976.

ROBERT C. COCHRANE, JR.  
HERBERT ABRAMS  
ELEANOR MYERSON  
EDWARD NOVAKOFF  
JUDAH M. STONE

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

OFFICER'S RETURN

NORFOLK, SS.      BROOKLINE

FEBRUARY 21, 1976

BY VIRTUE OF THIS WARRANT, I THIS DAY  
NOTIFIED AND WARNED THE INHABITANTS OF THE  
TOWN OF BROOKLINE AS WITHIN DESCRIBED, BY  
POSTING TRUE COPIES OF THIS WARRANT IN TWENTY  
PUBLIC PLACES. I ALSO HAD A TRUE COPY OF  
THIS WARRANT PUBLISHED IN THE BROOKLINE  
CHRONICLE-CITIZEN, ISSUE OF FEBRUARY 19, 1976.  
ALL OF WHICH WAS DONE AT LEAST SEVEN DAYS  
BEFORE SAID MEETING.

JAMES V. ESPOSITO (s)  
CONSTABLE



# Town of Brookline Presidential Primary

MARCH 2, 1976

Democratic

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE																			STATE COMMITTEE				STATE COMMITTEE	
																			ONE MAN				ONE WOMAN	
	Kelleher	Wallace	McCormack	Sanford	Bentzen	Harris	Sharp	Bayh	Carter	Shriver	Jackson	Udall	No Preference	Kowal	Businger	Korman	White	Taymor	Angelone	Montana				
PRECINCT 1.	000	016	001	000	000	049	021	018	024	016	116	229	006	028	266	022	020	175	031	025				
" 2.	002	025	005	000	000	064	044	031	041	020	212	164	005	016	345	031	017	183	051	027				
" 3.	000	021	012	000	000	075	022	027	026	021	205	221	004	031	345	035	015	173	041	034				
" 4.	000	075	024	000	000	080	020	025	052	030	133	139	003	027	310	017	014	143	053	043				
" 5.	000	151	032	002	002	105	011	031	069	045	146	152	008	015	506	011	030	191	097	053				
" 6.	000	071	011	000	000	093	024	044	055	022	165	184	009	031	380	022	018	174	051	045				
" 7.	003	017	003	000	000	079	021	031	025	025	294	207	004	038	323	037	025	181	054	045				
" 8.	000	011	009	000	000	080	033	035	025	014	296	204	006	021	235	054	008	183	022	039				
" 9.	000	011	005	000	001	094	022	038	026	016	403	258	008	043	410	054	020	230	045	059				
" 10.	000	019	003	000	000	070	044	028	020	018	261	215	005	028	345	037	012	199	032	038				
" 11.	001	022	005	000	000	085	034	043	023	008	353	191	005	031	408	042	020	218	047	045				
" 12.	000	015	004	000	000	085	044	050	042	012	207	251	008	051	394	026	025	224	036	046				
" 13.	001	011	015	001	001	063	040	038	029	014	227	279	004	060	367	039	021	256	043	034				
" 14.	000	020	000	000	000	056	043	024	037	029	154	200	008	034	283	036	034	178	066	038				
" 15.	000	030	015	000	000	034	050	033	029	020	239	179	005	073	232	047	028	236	057	034				
" 16.	000	034	012	000	000	030	060	025	029	016	409	159	007	056	373	055	038	265	046	043				
TOTALS	007	587	162	003	004	1124	533	519	552	326	3820	3232	095	583	5572	565	353	3209	789	648				

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## Democratic Write-Ins

PRECINCT	PRESIDENTIAL WRITE-IN											TOWN COMMITTEE WRITE-IN		
	Humphrey	Moynihan	Edward Kennedy	Richard Nixon	Ralph Nader	Frank Church	Kissinger	Howard Cosell	Betty Ford	Bella Abzug	Governor	Ronald Reagan		Carol Dempsey
1.	003													
" 2.	003		001			001								
" 3.	001						001							
" 4.	003		002											
" 5.	002													
" 6.	002	001						001						
" 7.	001													
" 8.					001									
" 9.	003													
" 10.	001		001											
" 11.	002	001												
" 12.	002		002						001					
" 13.	002					001				001			001	
" 14.	001		001	001										
" 15.	003													
" 16.						001					001	001		
TOTALS	034	002	007	001	001	003	001	001	001	001	001	001	001	001



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## Democratic Town Committee

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	Dukakis	Backman	Hertzmark	Meaney	Segal	Businger	Sidd	Lamphier	Kaplan	Kassler	White	Halpern	Brussel	Connorton	Wacker	Dugan	Vokonas	Seeling	Abrams	Alper	Comen
PRECINCT 1.	260	262	120	106	157	243	142	098	177	141	082	111	087	094	139	089	077	080	127	109	068
" 2.	301	311	219	100	184	304	181	116	237	164	102	136	095	109	139	100	084	107	134	107	092
" 3.	373	327	179	165	218	343	229	159	270	212	182	176	148	162	232	175	140	145	258	169	139
" 4.	267	248	095	129	123	269	134	083	165	119	136	088	076	114	135	152	072	063	119	082	063
" 5.	369	333	226	217	193	402	227	142	210	175	142	137	104	223	188	345	106	093	142	127	098
" 6.	330	327	144	141	212	336	221	123	211	178	104	133	113	149	153	176	098	097	146	125	100
" 7.	305	334	132	115	223	275	191	096	251	160	114	131	096	099	140	118	115	101	164	115	094
" 8.	258	316	106	089	187	270	189	077	226	157	076	141	087	089	125	090	072	099	130	109	096
" 9.	416	461	226	183	334	399	249	188	369	303	182	228	209	184	245	175	180	237	239	217	197
" 10.	388	402	251	220	335	362	316	226	342	298	213	250	228	223	259	209	199	214	260	238	213
" 11.	383	398	150	129	256	324	271	130	296	233	108	174	139	119	174	116	125	132	164	130	124
" 12.	391	400	228	206	344	363	291	262	308	271	180	198	202	230	219	180	169	173	207	230	168
" 13.	370	362	149	129	303	305	236	123	278	252	102	138	140	134	173	101	087	100	138	139	091
" 14.	279	260	115	146	222	226	195	113	196	146	083	110	109	130	143	161	083	082	125	114	080
" 15.	341	331	143	130	262	259	243	131	252	195	103	145	124	137	161	130	096	110	157	131	129
" 16.	369	385	139	119	301	315	250	104	301	193	095	172	102	109	135	115	086	110	154	131	115
TOTALS	3400	5457	2622	2324	3861	4995	3565	2170	4089	3197	1974	2468	2059	2305	2765	2432	1789	1943	2664	2273	1867

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	Conry	Goldenberg	Goodwin	Hurley	Jackson	Katz	Kahn	Murphy	Rothenstein	Ryack	Sapers	Schlesinger	Shatt	Kurland
PRECINCT 1.	098	168	036	101	118	107	107	070	109	094	100	104	095	085
" 2.	103	176	105	106	116	136	122	084	126	095	110	125	088	100
" 3.	168	243	146	163	179	183	173	162	187	150	169	175	154	153
" 4.	157	129	071	131	103	079	083	161	079	074	065	100	069	069
" 5.	346	145	102	222	143	102	106	233	109	098	129	126	112	114
" 6.	168	198	113	149	149	137	136	140	144	112	110	148	114	111
" 7.	112	225	098	109	144	143	121	102	148	113	122	129	113	106
" 8.	089	212	125	085	102	138	106	066	126	076	107	115	094	092
" 9.	191	337	217	183	220	246	220	166	241	200	202	240	199	209
" 10.	210	329	215	204	267	252	236	202	261	220	239	258	229	223
" 11.	109	240	108	126	166	176	150	095	242	125	127	164	176	114
" 12.	165	292	179	168	216	225	198	152	225	180	209	275	179	167
" 13.	098	209	110	096	134	206	151	093	172	103	146	156	136	104
" 14.	159	135	077	143	123	122	130	126	110	092	138	124	097	097
" 15.	137	200	106	155	138	149	162	112	150	128	192	134	125	178
" 16.	112	310	108	122	121	161	125	107	152	201	162	140	099	254
TOTALS	2422	3548	1966	2263	2439	2562	2326	2071	2581	2061	2327	2513	2079	2176



**Town of Brookline**  
**Presidential Primary**  
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Republican

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE				STATE COMMITTEE						STATISTICS												
				ONE MAN			ONE WOMAN															
				Regan	Ford	No Preference	Blanks	Cochrane	Weinrebe	Blanks	Campbell	Thornbury	Blanks				VOTED					
														Democrats	Republicans	American	Independent	Total Registered	Dems.	Reps.	Am.	Total
PRECINCT	1.	026	141	002		128	018		079	029				554	380		633	1567	506	174	000	680
"	2.	034	082	006		084	010		040	029				385	312		577	1774	624	128	000	752
"	3.	021	087	001		063	020		037	023				921	349		617	1887	640	116	001	757
"	4.	051	058	003		054	014		039	016				1042	193		592	1827	589	097	001	687
"	5.	045	065	002		087	005		038	030				1152	239		581	1972	764	114	000	878
"	6.	029	074	004		074	010		038	029				1024	278		681	1983	698	110	000	808
"	7.	034	102	003		076	029		048	027				1000	351		734	2085	723	143	000	866
"	8.	021	046	001		026	016		022	010				1012	215		609	1836	725	071	000	796
"	9.	019	060	004		046	015		024	016				1241	256		801	2298	896	091	000	987
"	10.	020	067	005		055	027		029	030				929	314		688	1931	704	110	000	814
"	11.	029	071	006		061	022		027	035				1075	292		794	2161	777	111	000	888
"	12.	017	071	001		060	009		028	018				992	265		636	1943	733	092	000	825
"	13.	052	115	007		116	026		051	047				960	364		626	1950	744	181	000	925
"	14.	046	148	003		134	022		066	047				355	426		604	1885	604	203	000	807
"	15.	059	220	007		199	035		130	045				364	622		823	2329	646	296	000	940
"	16.	044	112	006		080	045		054	037				1118	415		343	2376	785	170	000	955
TOTALS		225	1519	067	056	1345	321	541	750	463	989			15044	5271	000	10889	31804	11153	2297	002	13365

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## Republican Town Committee

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PRECINCT	Robbins	Harris	Goodman	Edmondson	Cochrane	Miller	Hantling	Freedman	Wong	Dodson	Berenson	Mangiaracine	Stern	Kartun	Wiggin	DeJany	Fortier	Brown	Lake	Kadish	Katz
1.	09/	070	068	086	111	063	062	070	082	066	075	057	078	050	062	063	065	074	053	065	062
" 2.	050	045	040	048	071	044	051	046	053	043	046	037	052	034	041	046	046	060	037	041	046
" 3.	000	050	050	049	070	047	048	052	054	044	052	042	058	044	050	053	045	061	041	050	045
" 4.	000	000	020	027	050	027	024	033	036	025	028	023	033	021	029	032	027	038	028	030	026
" 5.	044	044	034	035	069	032	032	029	036	033	034	029	049	026	040	039	040	062	033	031	024
" 6.	041	000	000	034	000	029	024	022	038	028	031	021	045	024	038	028	040	055	029	030	027
" 7.	040	043	060	046	075	043	050	061	049	045	063	040	065	040	047	046	051	067	038	056	055
" 8.	014	018	018	018	026	018	019	023	020	015	020	011	016	013	015	015	014	021	013	018	019
" 9.	007	020	035	027	040	025	031	030	031	026	036	032	047	022	025	027	032	035	019	023	025
" 10.	000	000	040	034	040	034	040	046	036	032	046	027	054	027	048	031	032	044	033	042	045
" 11.	000	040	039	031	049	030	032	039	035	033	039	028	046	028	030	031	030	040	027	033	034
" 12.	000	040	040	035	050	027	039	036	036	039	040	032	050	032	037	035	036	051	036	041	038
" 13.	000	039	042	037	093	030	033	038	040	028	044	031	059	026	046	037	031	079	033	039	033
" 14.	090	073	067	074	110	061	064	059	068	064	070	059	086	054	084	073	078	134	059	059	053
" 15.	114	099	109	094	169	084	084	096	095	091	098	074	110	067	106	114	121	160	078	085	081
" 16.	000	044	073	042	072	037	051	060	036	042	059	032	070	034	045	053	040	068	032	063	062
TOTALS	051	740	787	715	1100	631	684	740	745	654	781	575	818	542	743	723	728	1049	589	706	675



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## Republican Town Committee

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	Scheer	McNeill	Spunt	Dane	Gardiner	Parker	Freeman	Connelly	Washburn	Wolfe	Campbell	Ames	Novakoff	Daniels	BLANKS
PRECINCT 1.	062	063	054	077	081	065	051	053	067	054	060	078	062	073	
" 2.	037	053	043	057	054	047	036	039	047	036	039	051	043	042	
" 3.	047	049	043	048	054	043	043	044	045	042	044	053	044	047	
" 4.	025	034	025	031	037	030	023	031	029	026	043	035	028	028	
" 5.	022	039	029	044	049	031	025	035	050	024	036	045	031	036	
" 6.	025	044	025	045	044	035	024	027	038	019	040	039	031	036	
" 7.	042	055	043	047	046	047	042	047	046	047	051	043	054	048	
" 8.	012	018	015	015	021	018	015	018	017	012	013	017	021	016	
" 9.	016	024	019	022	025	018	018	018	020	019	021	022	021	019	
" 10.	035	039	042	039	044	035	034	035	035	034	036	035	052	033	
" 11.	027	031	030	032	033	026	025	025	023	030	027	027	035	023	
" 12.	035	039	037	040	048	033	031	031	039	037	034	038	044	033	
" 13.	030	057	038	071	067	042	023	036	042	023	036	072	047	033	
" 14.	051	073	082	115	112	071	050	062	082	051	068	105	070	058	
" 15.	079	110	104	172	158	114	076	076	099	074	082	158	189	079	
" 16.	042	052	044	053	050	033	038	054	042	041	036	046	065	042	
TOTALS	585	780	673	1008	918	688	554	631	721	569	666	964	837	646	

**Town of Brookline**  
**Presidential Primary**  
**MARCH 2, 1976**  
**Republican & American Party Write-Ins**

PRECINCT	REPUBLICAN WRITE-INS										AMERICAN WRITE-INS				
	Elliot Richardson	Nelson Rockerfeller	Thomas Larkin	Edward Kelly	Kenneth Brene	Henry Jackson	Udall	Wallace	Barbera Walters	Irene Leberas	Katherine Barbor	Melton Shapp			
1.		001													
" 2.															
" 3.						003	001								
" 4.															
" 5.													001		
" 6.									001	001	001				
" 7.	001														
" 8.							000	002							
" 9.						002	002								
" 10.		001	002	001	003										
" 11.															
" 12.															
" 13.															
" 14.		001					001								
" 15.															
" 16.								001				001			
TOTALS	001	003	002	001	003	005	004	005	001	001	001	001		001	





# TOWN OF BROOKLINE

Massachusetts



THOMAS F. LARKIN  
TOWN CLERK  
JOHN F. KENDRICK  
ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

January 21, 1976

To Town Meeting Members:

In accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 43A, Section 5, you are hereby officially notified that the Selectmen have set the following dates for the Annual Town Election and Town Meeting:

Annual Town Election, Tuesday, March 16, 1976

Annual Town Meeting, Tuesday, March 30, 1976

The Annual Town Meeting will be held in Brookline High School Auditorium at 7:30 P.M.

In the event the meeting is not completed on that evening the following dates have been reserved for additional sessions:

Thursday, April 1, 1976

Tuesday, April 6, 1976

Thursday, April 8, 1976

Monday, April 12, 1976

Very truly yours,

Thomas F. Larkin  
Town Clerk



# TOWN OF BROOKLINE

Massachusetts



JOHN F. KENDRICK  
TOWN CLERK  
WILLIAM F. SULLIVAN  
ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

March 23, 1976

To Town Meeting Members:

In accordance with the General Laws Chapter 43A, Section 5, you are hereby officially notified that the Selectmen have called for a Special Town Meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 6, 1976 at 7:30 P.M.

The meeting will be held in the Auditorium of Brookline High School.

Very truly yours,

John F. Kendrick  
Town Clerk



W A R R A N T  
THE COMMONWEALTH  
OF MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, SS

TO ANY CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE,  
GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS YOU  
ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE INHABITANTS  
OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS  
TO MEET AT THE POLLING PLACES DESIGNATED FOR THE  
SEVERAL PRECINCTS IN SAID TOWN ON

TUESDAY, THE SIXTEENTH

DAY OF MARCH, 1976

AT SEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON FOR THE FOLLOWING  
PURPOSES, TO WIT:

TO CHOOSE BY BALLOT THE FOLLOWING TOWN OFFICERS

ONE MODERATOR.....	FOR THREE YEARS
ONE TOWN CLERK.....	FOR THREE YEARS
TWO SELECTMEN.....	FOR THREE YEARS
FOUR TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.....	FOR THREE YEARS
ONE TRUSTEE OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY (TO FILL A VACANCY).....	FOR ONE YEAR
THREE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.....	FOR THREE YEARS
TWO TRUSTEES OF THE WALNUT HILLS CEMETERY.....	FOR THREE YEARS
ONE MEMBER OF THE BROOKLINE HOUSING AUTHORITY.....	FOR FIVE YEARS
ONE MEMBER OF THE BROOKLINE HOUSING AUTHORITY (TO FILL A VACANCY).....	FOR TWO YEARS

ALSO

FIVE TOWN MEETING MEMBERS.....	FOR THREE YEARS
IN PRECINCTS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, AND 16	
ONE TOWN MEETING MEMBER.....	FOR TWO YEARS
TO FILL VACANCIES IN PRECINCTS 10 AND 13	
TWO TOWN MEETING MEMBERS.....	FOR ONE YEAR
TO FILL VACANCIES IN PRECINCT 8	

ONE TOWN MEETING MEMBER.....FOR ONE YEAR  
TO FILL VACANCY IN PRECINCT 9

FOR THESE PURPOSES THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN AT SEVEN  
O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON AND SHALL BE CLOSED AT EIGHT  
O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON.

AND IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH, YOU ARE FURTHER  
REQUIRED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE SAID INHABITANTS TO  
MEET AT THE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM IN SAID TOWN ON

TUESDAY, THE THIRTIETH  
DAY OF MARCH, 1976

AT SEVEN-THIRTY O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING FOR THE FOLLOWING  
PURPOSES, TO WIT:

FIRST ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE THAT THE  
NUMBER OF MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK BE TWO, TO BE  
APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE  
THERETO.

SECOND ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO  
AUTHORIZE THE TOWN TREASURER, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE  
SELECTMEN, TO BORROW MONEY FROM TIME TO TIME IN  
ANTICIPATION OF THE REVENUE OF THE FISCAL YEAR  
BEGINNING JULY 1, 1976, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE  
PROVISIONS OF GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 4, AND  
TO ISSUE A NOTE OR NOTES THEREFOR, PAYABLE WITHIN ONE  
YEAR, AND TO RENEW ANY NOTE OR NOTES AS MAY BE GIVEN  
FOR A PERIOD OF LESS THAN ONE YEAR IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, SECTION 17, OR ACT ON ANYTHING  
RELATIVE THERETO.

THIRD ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO AMEND  
ARTICLE 1-B OF THE BYLAWS OF THE TOWN BY ADDING,  
DELETING OR SUBSTITUTING POSITIONS OR CLASSES IN THE  
CLASSIFICATION PLAN OR WILL OTHERWISE AMEND SAID  
ARTICLE 1-B, AND WILL AMEND THE PAY PLAN BY ESTABLISHING,  
DELETING OR SUBSTITUTING MINIMUM, MAXIMUM OR FLAT RATE  
SALARIES FOR ANY POSITION OR CLASS WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN  
ADDED TO, DELETED FROM OR SUBSTITUTED IN THE CLASSIFICATION  
PLAN UNDER THIS ARTICLE, OR BY CHANGING ANY OF THE EXISTING  
SALARIES, OR BY AMENDING THE GENERAL PROVISIONS WITH RESPECT  
TO SICK LEAVE, VACATION LEAVE AND THE LIKE; OR OTHERWISE  
AMEND SAID PAY PLAN, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

FOURTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL RAISE AND  
APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, THE  
SUMS, OR ANY OTHER SUM OR SUMS, REQUESTED OR PROPOSED  
BY THE SELECTMEN OR BY ANY OTHER OFFICER, BOARD OR



COMMITTEE, FOR ANY OR ALL TOWN EXPENSES AND PURPOSES, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITING THE FOREGOING, DEBT AND INTEREST, OUT OF STATE TRAVEL, OPERATING EXPENSES, AND TO FIX THE SALARIES OR OTHER COMPENSATION OF ALL ELECTED OFFICERS OF THE TOWN, AS PROVIDED IN GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 41, SECTION 108, AND TO PROVIDE FOR A RESERVE FUND, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

FIFTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO RETURN THE FOLLOWING UNEXPENDED BALANCES IN SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE TREASURY:

- \$13,306.24 - PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, NEW LINCOLN SCHOOL  
(ARTICLE #13, 1970 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT AND ARTICLE #12, 1972 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT).
- 20,859.04 - PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS TO THE LAWRENCE SCHOOL (ARTICLE #26, 1969 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT AND ARTICLE #14, 1970 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT).
- 3,000.00 - NEW TRAFFIC SIGNALS, BEACON, MOUNTFORT & SAINT PAUL STREETS (ARTICLE #30, 1969 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT).
- 850.00 - INSTALLATION OF SPRINKLER SYSTEM IN VARIOUS SCHOOLS  
(ARTICLE #18, 1970 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT).
- 4,776.25 - TOWN CENTER POWER SUPPLY SYSTEM  
(ARTICLE #21, 1971 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT).
- 2,154.00 - TREE PLANTING OF ROADSIDE TREES, VARIOUS STREETS (ARTICLE #16, 1972 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT).
- 5,940.61 - RECONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF VARIOUS STREETS AND SIDEWALKS (ARTICLE #19, 1972 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT).
- 6,718.16 - MODERNIZATION OF TRAFFIC CONTROLS, VARIOUS STREETS, 1970 (ARTICLE #31, 1970 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT).
- 1,347.88 - NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM MASS. E-12  
(ARTICLE #31, 1971 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT).
- 30,000.00 - REMODELING, RECONSTRUCTION OF PIERCE SCHOOL NOT SCHEDULED TO BE DEMOLISHED (ARTICLE #1, JUNE 16, 1970, SPECIAL TOWN MEETING).
- 19,500.00 - ADDITIONAL RELOCATION AND MOVING COSTS, PIERCE SCHOOL (ARTICLE #5, JUNE 16, 1970, SPECIAL TOWN MEETING).
- 932.27 - STUDY OF SOLID WASTE SYSTEM (ARTICLE #22, 1972 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT).
- 191.00 - WATER DRAIN EASEMENT, HARVARD AVENUE  
(ARTICLE #26, 1971 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT).
- 118.75 - EASEMENTS, LAND DRAINAGE - WATER CONSERVATION  
(ARTICLE #32, 1972 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT).

\$43,400.00 - MODERNIZATION OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES  
VARIOUS STREETS (ARTICLE #24, 1972 ANNUAL TOWN  
MEETING WARRANT).  
12,700.00 - TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS, WASHINGTON ST.  
AT STATION #7 (ARTICLE #25, 1972 ANNUAL TOWN  
MEETING).  
38,802.00 - INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES AT  
"SCHOOL ZONES" (ARTICLE #26, 1972 ANNUAL TOWN  
MEETING WARRANT).  
1,139.43 - RECONSTRUCTION, ARTIFICIAL SKATING RINK,  
(ARTICLE #22, 1973 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT).  
200.75 - CONSTRUCTION OF SCHICK PARK (ARTICLE #23,  
1973 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT).  
825.50 - HOLDEN ST. ALTERATIONS (ARTICLE #9,  
OCTOBER 15, 1973, SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

OR WILL TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION WITH RESPECT THERETO.

SIXTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN, PURSUANT TO THE  
PROVISIONS OF GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 32, SECTION 90A, WILL  
INCREASE THE RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE OF ANY FORMER EMPLOYEE  
OF THE TOWN WHO WAS RETIRED ON ACCOUNT OF INJURIES  
SUSTAINED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS DUTY, OR ACT ON  
ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

SEVENTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL RAISE AND  
APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS A SUM  
OF MONEY, TO BE EXPENDED BY THE RETIREMENT BOARD OF THE  
TOWN, TO PROVIDE FOR A COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT TO  
RETIREES OF THE TOWN, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF  
GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 32, SECTION 102, AS AMENDED, WITH  
THE ADJUSTMENT TO BE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1976, OR ACT ON  
ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

EIGHTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN, IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH SECTION 64 OF CHAPTER 44 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, WILL  
AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF ANY ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING  
UNPAID BILLS OF PREVIOUS YEARS, IN THE AMOUNTS INDICATED  
BELOW, AND WHICH MAY BE LEGALLY UNENFORCEABLE DUE TO THE  
INSUFFICIENCY OF THE APPROPRIATION THEREFOR:

BOSTON UNIVERSITY-WORK STUDY (CONSERVATION COMMISSION)	\$83.15
TOM FIELD ASSOCIATES, INC. (SCHOOL COMMITTEE)	\$850.00
COOLIDGE CORNER GULF SERVICE (DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS)	\$92.72
WILLIAM I. HIRSHOM, D.M.D. (DEPT. OF PUBLIC WELFARE)	\$250.00
FREDERICK P. MEADE	\$176.80
DR. GERALD WINKLER (POLICE DEPARTMENT)	\$262.50

AND WILL RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM  
AVAILABLE FUNDS, \$1,721.17, OR ANY OTHER SUM, TO PAY FOR



THE SAME, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

NINTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$27,155, or any other sum, to be expended by the Trustees of the Public Library, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for the installation of a Book Security System at the Main Library, or act on anything relative thereto.

TENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$8,000, or any other sum, to be expended by the Park and Recreation Commission, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for Landscape Architect's fees for the design plans and contract documents for the redesign of Beacon Playground, or act on anything relative thereto.

ELEVENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$115,000, or any other sum, to be expended by the Park and Recreation Commission, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for the repair of Beacon Playground, including the reconstruction of five (5) clay tennis courts and three (3) laykold (hard surface) tennis courts, and other facilities, and to authorize and empower the Park and Recreation Commission to enter into agreements with state or federal agencies for financial and other assistance in connection with the said repair, reconstruction and the development and operation of park and recreational facilities in the Beacon Playground, or act on anything relative thereto.

TWELFTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, or transfer within the Community Development Block Grant funds for FY-1977, \$8,000, or any other sum, to be expended by the Park and Recreation Commission, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for plans and specifications for the reconstruction of the Boylston Playground, or act on anything relative thereto.

THIRTEENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will accept the report of the feasibility study, prepared by Arrowstreet, Inc., Cambridge, Massachusetts, architect, for the Lynch Recreation Center, under agreement between the architect and the Town, dated February 2, 1976, or act on anything relative thereto.

FOURTEENTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, INCLUDING A TRANSFER WITHIN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR FY-77, A SUM OF MONEY TO BE EXPENDED BY THE BUILDING COMMISSION, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, FOR ARCHITECTURAL PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE REHABILITATION AND MODIFICATION OF THE JAMES J. LYNCH RECREATION CENTER, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

FIFTEENTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO DISCONTINUE, AS A PUBLIC WAY, EMERALD STREET, ACCEPTED BY THE TOWN AS A PUBLIC WAY, NAMED PEARL PLACE AND RENAMED EMERALD STREET, SEPTEMBER 18, 1871, AS SHOWN ON A PLAN ENTITLED "PLAN OF DISCONTINUANCE OF EMERALD STREET, BROOKLINE, MASS.", BY LEO D. PICARDI, P.E., COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS, DATED DECEMBER 10, 1975, EXAMINED AND APPROVED BY THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE PLANNING BOARD, WHICH PLAN, ON FILE IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE, IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE, AND EXCEPTING FROM SUCH DISCONTINUANCE AND RESERVING TO THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE THE RIGHT AND EASEMENT TO LAY OUT, CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN, REPAIR AND USE WATER PIPES, SURFACE WATER DRAINS, SANITARY SEWERS, TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS AND FIRE ALARM BOXES WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE APPURTENANCES IN THE AREA SHOWN ON SAID PLAN AS EMERALD STREET, AND FURTHER EXCEPTING FROM SAID DISCONTINUANCE PRESENT LOCATIONS FOR WATER PIPES, SURFACE WATER DRAINS, SANITARY SEWERS, TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS, FIRE ALARM BOXES, ELECTRIC POLES AND LIGHTS, WIRES AND APPURTENANCES INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO REPAIR, REPLACE, MAINTAIN AND USE SAME, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

SIXTEENTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL ACCEPT THE LAYOUT OF PEARL STREET, AS A PUBLIC WAY, AS LAID OUT BY THE SELECTMEN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH A DESCRIPTION AND PLAN NOW ON FILE IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE, WHICH PLAN, BY LEO D. PICARDI, P.E., COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS, DATED: JANUARY 5, 1976, EXAMINED AND APPROVED BY THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE PLANNING BOARD AND ON FILE IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE, IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE; TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION, IN FEE SIMPLE, BY PURCHASE, BY GIFT OR BY A TAKING BY EMINENT DOMAIN, OF THE PROPERTY WITHIN SAID WAY; AND TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, A SUM OF MONEY THEREFOR, AND ALL EXPENSES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

SEVENTEENTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL APPROPRIATE \$64,289, OR ANY OTHER SUM, TO BE EXPENDED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, FOR THE REPAIR, RECONSTRUCTION, AND RESURFACING OF THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC WAYS UNDER CHAPTER 765, SECTION 4, ACTS OF 1972, TO



BE REIMBURSED FROM THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS:

SOUTH STREET - (NEWTON STREET TO GROVE STREET);  
 LEE STREET - (WARREN STREET TO CLYDE STREET);  
 CLYDE STREET - (LEE STREET TO NEWTON STREET),

OR ANY OTHER APPROVED STREETS, AND TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE SAME SHALL BE RAISED BY TAXATION, PROVIDED BY A TRANSFER FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, BY BORROWING OR BY ANY COMBINATION OF THE FOREGOING, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

EIGHTEENTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, \$132,052, OR ANY SUM, TO BE EXPENDED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF VARIOUS STREETS, SIDEWALKS, BRIDGES AND PATHS WITHIN THE TOWN, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

NINETEENTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL APPROPRIATE \$250,000, OR ANY OTHER SUM, TO BE EXPENDED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, FOR LAYING AND RELAYING WATER MAINS OF NOT LESS THAN SIX (6) INCHES BUT LESS THAN SIXTEEN (16) INCHES IN DIAMETER, AND FOR LINING SUCH MAINS WITH LININGS OF NOT LESS THAN ONE-SIXTEENTH (1/16) OF AN INCH, AND TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE SAME SHALL BE RAISED BY TAXATION, PROVIDED BY A TRANSFER FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, BY BORROWING OR BY ANY COMBINATION OF THE FOREGOING, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

TWENTIETH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, \$50,000, OR ANY OTHER SUM, TO BE EXPENDED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, FOR NEW PARKING METERS AND FOR THE MAKING OF THE NECESSARY MECHANICAL CHANGES IN THE PARKING METERS OF THE TOWN, SAID CHANGES HAVING BEEN VOTED BY THE TRANSPORTATION BOARD, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

TWENTY-FIRST ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, \$105,000, OR ANY OTHER SUM, TO BE EXPENDED BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, FOR A NEW LADDER TRUCK OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

TWENTY-SECOND ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO APPROPRIATE A SUM OF MONEY TO SUPPLEMENT THE CONSTRUCTION FUNDS FOR THE NEW PIERCE SCHOOL, FIRST APPROPRIATED UNDER ARTICLE 1 OF THE JUNE 1970 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, TO BE

EXPENDED BY THE BUILDING COMMISSION WITH APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE XV-A OF THE TOWN BYLAWS, FOR THE CORRECTION OF ACOUSTICAL PROBLEMS, AND TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE SAME SHALL BE RAISED BY TAXATION, PROVIDED BY A TRANSFER FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, BY BORROWING OR BY ANY COMBINATION OF THE FOREGOING, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

TWENTY-THIRD ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO APPROPRIATE A SUM OF MONEY TO SUPPLEMENT THE CONSTRUCTION FUNDS FOR THE NEW PIERCE SCHOOL, FIRST APPROPRIATED UNDER ARTICLE 1 OF THE JUNE 1970 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, TO BE EXPENDED BY THE BUILDING COMMISSION WITH APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE XV-A OF THE TOWN BYLAWS, FOR THE CORRECTION OF MASONRY WORK, AND TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE SAME SHALL BE RAISED BY TAXATION, PROVIDED BY A TRANSFER FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, BY BORROWING OR BY ANY COMBINATION OF THE FOREGOING, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

TWENTY-FOURTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, THE SUM OF EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$8,000), TO BE EXPENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES TO PROVIDE VETERANS' QUARTERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1976.

TWENTY-FIFTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, \$8,000, OR ANY OTHER SUM, TO BE EXPENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SUITABLE HEADQUARTERS TO QUALIFIED VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS IN THE TOWN DURING FISCAL 1977, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

TWENTY-SIXTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL AMEND THE ZONING BYLAW BY ADOPTING THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS THERETO OR WILL OTHERWISE AMEND AND ADOPT SAID PROPOSED AMENDMENTS, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO:

1. TO AMEND SECTION 5.09(B) APPLICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND DESIGN REVIEW BY DELETING THE PHRASE "EXCEPT PERMANENT WINDOW SIGNS CONFORMING WITH ALL OF THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 7.3(A)(8)" AND SUBSTITUTING THEREFOR THE PHRASE "EXCEPT SIGNS AS REGULATED IN SECTION 7.3".

2. TO ADD A NEW PARAGRAPH (5) TO SECTION 7.3(A) SIGNS IN ALL DISTRICTS:

(5) IN CASES WHERE AN ATTACHED SIGN SIZE LARGER THAN PERMITTED IN THIS ARTICLE 7 IS APPROPRIATE BECAUSE OF THE SIZE OF A NATURAL SPACE FOR A



SIGN ON A FACADE OR BECAUSE OF OTHER ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES OF A BUILDING, THE BOARD OF APPEALS BY SPECIAL PERMIT UNDER ARTICLE 9 MAY AUTHORIZE A LARGER ATTACHED SIGN UP TO BUT NOT MORE THAN 25% LARGER THAN PERMITTED BY THE SPECIFIC REGULATIONS IN THIS ARTICLE. NO LETTERING OR OTHER ADVERTISING MESSAGE SHALL BE PLACED IN THE ADDITIONAL SIGN AREA AUTHORIZED BY THIS PARAGRAPH.

3. TO AMEND SECTION 7.3(A) SIGNS IN L, G AND I DISTRICTS BY DELETING PARAGRAPH (6) AND SUBSTITUTING:
  - (6) TEMPORARY SIGNS OR ADVERTISING DEVICES, OTHER THAN TEMPORARY IDENTIFICATION SIGNS REGULATED IN PARAGRAPH (7) BELOW, MAY BE ATTACHED OR LETTERED TEMPORARILY ON THE INTERIOR OF A WINDOW. SUCH SIGNS OR DEVICES SHALL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE AGGREGATE SIGN AREA PERMITTED IN PARAGRAPH (3) ABOVE. THE AGGREGATE AREA OF ALL SIGNS IN ANY WINDOW, EITHER TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT, SHALL NOT EXCEED 30% OF THE AREA OF SUCH WINDOW. NO TEMPORARY SIGN OR ADVERTISING DEVICE SHALL REMAIN IN A WINDOW FOR MORE THAN ONE MONTH.
4. TO AMEND SECTION 7.3(A) SIGNS IN L, G AND I DISTRICTS BY DELETING PARAGRAPH (7) AND SUBSTITUTING:
  - (7) ONE TEMPORARY IDENTIFICATION SIGN FOR A PROPERTY OR USE SUBJECT TO THE DESIGN REVIEW PROCESS SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (B) BELOW OR IN SECTION 5.09 MAY BE PERMITTED BY THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER TO BE DISPLAYED DURING THE PERIOD FROM SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER TO THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DECISION OF THE PLANNING BOARD OR THE BOARD OF APPEALS IF AN APPEAL IS TAKEN, PROVIDED THAT THE TEMPORARY SIGN CONFORMS WITH ALL DIMENSIONAL REGULATIONS OF THIS BY-LAW, IS IN FACT A TEMPORARY SIGN NOT INVOLVING ANY SUBSTANTIAL EXPENSE, AND IS DISPLAYED IN A MANNER WHICH WILL NOT DEFACE THE BUILDING FACADE OR OTHERWISE IMPINGE UPON THE DESIGN REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED SIGN.
5. TO AMEND SECTION 7.3(A) SIGNS IN L, G AND I DISTRICTS BY DELETING PARAGRAPH (3).
6. TO AMEND SECTION 7.3 SIGNS IN L, G AND I DISTRICTS BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION (B):
  - (B) ALL SIGNS PERMITTED IN THIS SECTION 7.3, EXCEPT TEMPORARY SIGNS OR ADVERTISING DEVICES PERMITTED IN PARAGRAPH 7.3(A)(6), SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING DESIGN REVIEW PROCESS:
    - (1) THE APPLICANT SHALL SUBMIT TO THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER AN APPLICATION FORM, PLANS OF THE PROPOSED SIGN, AND PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWING THE EXISTING BUILDING OR SITE, AND SUCH OTHER MATERIAL AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER OR PLANNING BOARD.

(2) WITHIN FIVE WORKING DAYS, THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER SHALL REFER THE APPLICATION AND ACCOMPANYING MATERIAL TO THE PLANNING BOARD.

(3) AFTER ITS RECEIPT OF THE APPLICATION AND ALL REQUIRED MATERIAL, THE PLANNING BOARD SHALL REVIEW THE APPLICATION AT ITS NEXT PUBLIC MEETING FOR WHICH LEGAL NOTICE CAN BE GIVEN AND SUBMIT ITS RECOMMENDATIONS IN WRITING TO THE APPLICANT AND THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER. THE RECOMMENDATIONS SHALL BE BASED ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND DESIGN STANDARDS IN SECTION 5.09 AND SUCH SIGN DESIGN GUIDELINES AS THE PLANNING BOARD MAY ADOPT.

(4) UPON RECEIPT OF THE PLANNING BOARD'S REPORT OR THE LAPSE OF THIRTY DAYS FROM HIS REFERRAL TO THE BOARD WITHOUT SUCH REPORT, THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER MAY ISSUE A PERMIT FOR A SIGN WHICH CONFORMS TO THE PLANNING BOARD'S RECOMMENDATIONS, IF ANY, THE REGULATIONS IN THE ZONING BY-LAW, AND SUCH OTHER TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS AS ARE WITHIN THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER'S JURISDICTION.

(5) IF THE APPLICANT OR ANY OTHER INTERESTED PARTY DOES NOT AGREE WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLANNING BOARD OR OTHER REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED BY THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER, HE MAY APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS THROUGH THE SPECIAL PERMIT PROCEDURE IN ARTICLE 9.

TWENTY-SEVENTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL AMEND ARTICLE XXII, SECTION 1, OF THE TOWN BYLAWS ENTITLED "IMPOUNDING, RELEASE AND DISPOSITION OF DOGS" BY DELETING IN SUBSECTION A. THE PHRASE "DOG OFFICERS SHALL BE ON DUTY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 7:00 A.M. AND 11:00 P.M. SEVEN DAYS A WEEK AND SHALL CAUSE A DOG TO BE IMPOUNDED FOR ANY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CAUSES" AND SUBSTITUTE THEREFOR THE PHRASE "A DOG OFFICER SHALL CAUSE A DOG TO BE IMPOUNDED FOR ANY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CAUSES", OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

TWENTY-EIGHTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL AMEND ARTICLE XXII OF THE BYLAWS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE BY ADDING TO SECTION 5. PENALTY, A NEW SECTION C., TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

"SECTION C: THE DOG OR CANINE OFFICER MAY ISSUE A CITATION UPON THE COMPLAINT OF A CITIZEN OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE.";

OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

TWENTY-NINTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO PETITION AND/OR APPROVE THE FILING OF A PETITION TO THE GENERAL COURT FOR SPECIAL LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING THE BROOKLINE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ACTING UNDER CHAPTER 121D OF THE GENERAL LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF



MASSACHUSETTS TO MAKE PROPERTY REHABILITATION GRANTS WITHIN AREAS DEFINED BY TOWN MEETING AND PURSUANT TO RULES AND REGULATIONS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO:

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE BROOKLINE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, ACTING UNDER GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 121B, TO MAKE PROPERTY REHABILITATION GRANTS.  
BE IT ENACTED, ETC., AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY GENERAL OR SPECIAL LAW TO THE CONTRARY, THE BROOKLINE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REHABILITATING AND PRESERVING THE RESIDENTIAL HOUSING STOCK IN THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE, AND ACTING UNDER CHAPTER 121B OF THE GENERAL LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO MAKE PROPERTY REHABILITATION GRANTS WITHIN AREAS OF THE TOWN AS DEFINED BY TOWN MEETING AND PURSUANT TO RULES AND REGULATIONS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN.

THIRTIETH ARTICLE. THIS PETITION CALLS FOR THE INSERTION OF AN ARTICLE IN THE WARRANT OF THE 1976 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WHICH WOULD ASK THE TOWN TO VOTE TO PETITION AND/OR APPROVE THE FILING OF A PETITION TO THE GENERAL COURT FOR SPECIAL LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN ACTING THROUGH ANY OF ITS AGENCIES EMPOWERED UNDER CHAPTER 121B OF THE MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS TO MAKE LOANS FOR THE REHABILITATION OF COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES WITHIN AREAS DEFINED BY TOWN MEETING AND PURSUANT TO RULES AND REGULATIONS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN.

THIRTY-FIRST ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL PETITION AND/OR APPROVE THE FILING OF A PETITION WITH THE GENERAL COURT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS AT ANY ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, A SUM OF MONEY TO BE PLACED IN A RESERVE FUND OR SINKING FUND IN THE CONTROL OF THE TREASURER FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING IN PART OR IN WHOLE THE TOWN'S UNFUNDED PENSION OBLIGATION, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN TREASURER TO INVEST SUCH FUNDS FROM TIME TO TIME IN INTEREST BEARING ACCOUNTS AND SECURITIES, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN FROM TIME TO TIME TO UTILIZE SUCH RESERVE OR SINKING FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH THE PAYMENT OF PENSION OBLIGATIONS AS THE SAME BECOME DUE AND PAYABLE, OR TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION WITH RESPECT THERETO.

THIRTY-SECOND ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO FILE LEGISLATION, GENERAL OR SPECIAL, SUBSTANTIALLY AS FOLLOWS:

THAT LEGISLATION ENACTED BY THE GREAT AND GENERAL COURT OF MASSACHUSETTS AND WHICH IMPOSES COSTS ON CITIES AND TOWNS SHALL BE FUNDED BY THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS OR, ALTERNATELY, SHALL BECOME

BINDING ONLY UPON APPROVAL OF A PARTICULAR CITY OR TOWN BY VOTE OF ITS COUNCIL OR TOWN MEETING, OR WILL TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION WITH RESPECT THERETO.

THIRTY-THIRD ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL APPROVE AND FILE A PETITION WITH THE GENERAL COURT, AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE INCLUSION OF MAY TWENTY-NINTH AS A LEGAL HOLIDAY IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY'S BIRTHDAY, MAY TWENTY-NINTH, AS A LEGAL HOLIDAY.  
SECTION 1. CLAUSE EIGHTEEN OF SECTION 7 OF CHAPTER 4 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, AS MOST RECENTLY AMENDED BY SECTION 1 OF CHAPTER 493 OF THE ACTS OF 1974, IS FURTHER AMENDED BY INSERTING AFTER THE WORDS "JANUARY THE FIFTEENTH", THE WORDS:

— "MAY THE TWENTY-NINTH"  
SECTION 13. SECTION 13 OF CHAPTER 13C OF THE GENERAL LAWS, AS MOST RECENTLY AMENDED BY SECTION 13 OF CHAPTER 493 OF THE ACTS OF 1974, IS FURTHER AMENDED BY INSERTING AFTER THE WORDS "JANUARY THE FIFTEENTH", THE WORDS: —  
"MAY THE TWENTY-NINTH"

THIRTY-FOURTH ARTICLE. RESOLUTION: THE PROPOSED REVALUATION OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE UNDER THE PRESENT METHOD OF ASSESSING WILL FORCE AN EVEN GREATER BURDEN UPON THE SINGLE-, TWO-, AND THREE-FAMILY HOMEOWNERS AND THEIR TENANTS WHO PRESENTLY PAY A DISPROPORTIONATE 55.4% OF ALL BROOKLINE'S REAL ESTATE TAXES AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES.

THE SAME SINGLE-, TWO-, AND THREE-FAMILY HOMES CONSTITUTE 36.9% OF THE TOTAL FAMILY UNITS IN THE TOWN, BUT PAY 65.5% OF ALL THE TAXES COLLECTED FROM ALL THE FAMILY UNITS IN THE TOWN.

UNDER THE PRESENT REVALUATION METHOD, THE BURDEN OF TAXES THAT WILL BE ASSUMED BY THE SINGLE-, TWO-, AND THREE-FAMILY HOMEOWNERS WILL RISE TO 59.4% OF THE TOTAL TOWN TAXES AND SIMILARLY WILL BE A LARGER PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL TAXES COLLECTED FROM ALL THE FAMILY UNITS IN THE TOWN.

THERE IS GREAT UNCERTAINTY AS TO THE METHODS AND GUIDELINES OF VALUATION TO BE USED IN DETERMINING THIS REVALUATION.

A MAJORITY OF THE CITIES AND TOWNS IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS HAVE FAILED TO COMPLY WITH THIS DIRECTIVE TO REASSESS.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED THAT THIS TOWN MEETING GO ON RECORD AS SUPPORTING THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT SUBMITTED BY REPRESENTATIVE JAMES SEGEL AND ANGELO N. SCACCIA, AND SENATOR JOSEPH F. TIMILTY, WHICH IS NUMBERED HOUSE



BILL, AND WHICH "WOULD GRANT THE GENERAL COURT AUTHORITY TO CLASSIFY REAL ESTATE FOR TAXATION AT DIFFERENT RATES ACCORDING TO ITS USE".

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN BE INSTRUCTED TO EXPRESS THE WILL OF THIS TOWN MEETING TO THE LEGISLATURE THAT THIS AMENDMENT BE PASSED FORTHWITH, AND THAT THERE BE NO REVALUATION OF THE REAL ESTATE IN THE TOWN UNTIL HOUSE BILL HAS BEEN ACTED UPON.

THIRTY-FIFTH ARTICLE. TO HEAR AND ACT UPON THE REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

THIRTY-SIXTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL AUTHORIZE TAKING A SUM OF MONEY VOTED FOR THE APPROPRIATIONS HERETOFORE MADE AT THIS MEETING AND NOT VOTED TO BE BORROWED, FROM ANY AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE TREASURY, AND WILL AUTHORIZE THE ASSESSORS TO USE FREE CASH IN THE TREASURY IN ANY AVAILABLE FUNDS TO THAT AMOUNT IN THE DETERMINATION OF THE TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 1976 - JUNE 30, 1977, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL PROVIDE FUNDING FOR ANY OR ALL OF THE PURPOSES MENTIONED IN THE FOREGOING ARTICLES BY TAXATION, BY TRANSFER FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, BY BORROWING OR BY ANY COMBINATION OF THE FOREGOING, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, AND MAKE DUE RETURN OF THIS WARRANT, WITH YOUR DOINGS THEREON, TO THE SELECTMEN SEVEN DAYS AT LEAST BEFORE THE DAY OF SAID MEETING.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT BROOKLINE AFORESAID, THIS TWENTY-THIRD DAY OF FEBRUARY IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIX.

ROBERT C. COCHRANE, JR.  
HERBERT ABRAMS  
ELEANOR MYERSON  
EDWARD NOVAKOFF  
JUDAH H. STONE  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

## OFFICER'S RETURN

NORFOLK, SS.

BROOKLINE, FEBRUARY 27, 1976

BY VIRTUE OF THIS WARRANT, I THIS DAY NOTIFIED AND WARNED THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS, TO MEET AT THE SEVERAL DESIGNATED POLLING PLACES IN SAID TOWN ON TUESDAY, THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF MARCH, 1976 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING CERTAIN TOWN OFFICERS, AND FURTHER NOTIFIED AND WARNED SAID INHABITANTS TO MEET AT THE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM IN SAID TOWN AT 7:30 P.M., TUESDAY MARCH 30, 1976, BY POSTING TRUE AND ATTESTED COPIES OF THE WITHIN WARRANT IN TWENTY PUBLIC PLACES AND BY CAUSING IT TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE BROOKLINE CHRONICLE-CITIZEN, ISSUE OF FEBRUARY 26, 1976, AN ATTESTED COPY OF THE WITHIN WARRANT. ALL OF WHICH WAS DONE AT LEAST SEVEN DAYS BEFORE SAID MEETING.

WILLIAM FIGLER (s)  
CONSTABLE

A TRUE COPY

ATTEST:

JOHN F. KENDRICK  
TOWN CLERK



# W A R R A N T

## THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, SS

TO ANY CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE,  
GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE  
INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE QUALIFIED TO  
VOTE AT ELECTIONS TO MEET AT THE HIGH SCHOOL  
AUDITORIUM IN SAID TOWN ON

TUESDAY, THE SIXTH DAY  
OF APRIL, 1976

AT SEVEN-THIRTY O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING FOR THE  
FOLLOWING PURPOSES, TO WIT:

FIRST ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL APPROPRIATE  
FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, \$59,500, OR ANY OTHER SUM, TO BE  
ADDED TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION VOTED UNDER ARTICLE  
5 IN THE WARRANT FOR THE 1975 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING FOR  
PUBLIC LIBRARY, PERSONAL SERVICES, TO FUND THE COST  
ITEMS IN THE LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN AND THE  
STAFF ASSOCIATION OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF BROOKLINE  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 1975, OR ACT  
ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

SECOND ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL APPROPRIATE  
FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, \$67,260, OR ANY OTHER SUM, TO  
BE ADDED TO THE APPROPRIATION VOTED UNDER ARTICLE 5 IN  
THE WARRANT FOR THE 1975 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING FOR  
UNCLASSIFIED EXPENSES, WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION, FOR THE  
FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 1975, OR ACT ON ANYTHING  
RELATIVE THERETO.

THIRD ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL APPROPRIATE  
FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS A SUM OF MONEY TO PAY ANY ONE OR  
MORE OF THE FOLLOWING UNPAID BILLS OF PREVIOUS YEARS,  
IN THE AMOUNTS INDICATED BELOW, WHICH MAY BE LEGALLY

UNENFORCEABLE DUE TO THE INSUFFICIENCY OF THE  
APPROPRIATION THEREFOR:

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION	
LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY	
NOVEMBER 29, 1973 TO NOVEMBER 29, 1974	\$47,349;
WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION	
LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY	
NOVEMBER 29, 1974 TO JULY 1, 1975	\$47,152;
TOTAL	\$94,501;

OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

FOURTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO PETITION AND/OR APPROVE THE FILING OF A PETITION TO THE GENERAL COURT FOR LEGISLATION EMPOWERING THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO APPOINT AND EMPLOY A DIRECTOR OF SCHOOL PLANT AND A DIRECTOR OF SCHOOL FOOD SERVICES WITH SAID POSITIONS NOT SUBJECT TO THE LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO CIVIL SERVICE, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, AND MAKE DUE RETURN OF THIS WARRANT, WITH YOUR DOINGS THEREON, TO THE SELECTMEN SEVEN DAYS AT LEAST BEFORE THE DAY OF SAID MEETING.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT BROOKLINE AFORESAID, THIS FIFTEENTH DAY OF MARCH, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIX.

ROBERT C. COCHRANE, JR.

HERBERT ABRAMS

ELEANOR MYERSON

EDWARD NOVAKOFF

JUDAH M. STONE

BOARD OF SELECTMEN



## OFFICER'S RETURN

NORFOLK, SS.

BROOKLINE, MARCH 13, 1976

BY VIRTUE OF THIS WARRANT, I THIS DAY NOTIFIED AND WARNED THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO MEET AT THE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM IN SAID TOWN AT 7:30 P.M., TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 1976, BY POSTING TRUE AND ATTESTED COPIES OF THE WITHIN WARRANT IN TWENTY PUBLIC PLACES AND BY CAUSING IT TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE BROOKLINE CHRONICLE-CITIZEN, ISSUE OF MARCH 18, 1976, AN ATTESTED COPY OF THE WITHIN WARRANT. ALL OF WHICH WAS DONE AT LEAST SEVEN DAYS BEFORE SAID MEETING.

TANIA R. LANGERMAN (s)  
CONSTABLE

# Town of Brookline

Town Election  
MARCH 16, 1976

Sheet 1 of 2.

	Moderator Vote for One		Town Clerk Vote for One		Selectman Vote for Two							Trustees of the Public Library Vote for Four					Treas. Pub. Lib. Vote for One	
	Wyner	BLANKS	Kendrick	BLANKS	Myerson	Elcock	Goldenberg	Koretsky	Lolly	Libbey	BLANKS	Goldman	Lowell	Shorff	Hurlbut	Richardson	BLANKS	Edmondson
PRECINCT 1.	273		277		259	116	235	015	043	212		203	231	211	217	209		307
" 2.	240		249		272	078	254	019	109	121		199	201	213	172	164		237
" 3.	260		259		290	077	279	021	095	136		213	196	243	193	158		240
" 4.	198		283		161	138	106	003	270	106		117	201	150	154	193		216
" 5.	352		493		225	215	170	012	428	169		173	349	272	284	342		364
" 6.	333		411		327	161	261	014	246	179		223	301	284	241	251		352
" 7.	202		279		355	058	366	036	128	122		294	224	273	208	174		256
" 8.	253		223		268	063	311	035	083	104		248	185	212	164	128		193
" 9.	287		249		318	060	341	064	090	179		290	173	286	204	172		263
" 10.	316		287		359	092	313	024	068	167		287	233	306	243	168		258
" 11.	246		223		297	084	301	050	082	164		229	166	303	172	184		230
" 12.	300		272		340	115	292	029	076	229		275	232	307	232	170		271
" 13.	334		320		319	155	269	034	083	238		277	264	303	270	217		304
" 14.	394		443		204	318	132	019	237	260		192	335	213	327	323		356
" 15.	456		411		197	381	191	025	131	296		314	346	244	380	368		381
" 16.	475		453		421	135	547	070	178	234		436	339	410	319	316		441
TOTALS	4943		5132		4592	2246	4366	470	2347	2916		3970	3976	4230	3780	3537		4669



## Town Election

MARCH 16, 1976

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	School Committee Vote for Three					Trus. Walnut Hill Com. Vote for Two			Brkl. Housing Auth. Vote for One			Brkl. Housing Auth. Vote for One				Statistics		
	Connorton	Conry	Hirshom	Senecal	Sullivan	Brown	Caverly	BLANKS	Kickham	Dempsey	BLANKS	Condon	Joyce	Willigoren	BLANKS	Precinct	Registered Voters	Voted
PRECINCT 1.	207	229	212	310	119	272	243		212	150		180	043	104		1	1591	494
" 2.	246	259	169	263	099	250	233		193	180		123	076	122		2	1796	469
" 3.	240	260	174	285	119	250	245		185	191		152	062	142		3	1978	508
" 4.	166	283	143	135	182	253	212		221	130		268	078	039		4	1855	471
" 5.	362	490	214	234	258	452	381		357	195		427	130	061		5	1992	813
" 6.	338	398	225	282	222	401	357		302	205		268	089	127		6	2004	676
" 7.	252	296	232	315	113	283	251		198	247		176	068	142		7	2113	584
" 8.	247	215	223	235	092	217	200		166	170		122	057	133		8	1855	474
" 9.	242	253	292	330	101	266	252		179	250		115	064	217		9	2323	612
" 10.	280	275	211	347	102	288	279		198	225		123	057	158		10	1954	553
" 11.	242	235	238	311	107	243	236		193	200		152	054	124		11	2182	548
" 12.	344	280	221	377	115	274	273		199	202		139	049	169		12	1962	599
" 13.	249	259	222	410	130	337	309		240	172		123	053	159		13	1969	609
" 14.	247	301	294	325	275	466	390		359	130		230	118	121		14	1899	700
" 15.	232	221	408	307	317	432	393		355	137		182	076	206		15	2346	704
" 16.	338	331	499	413	206	465	436		342	264		157	113	371		16	2386	904
TOTALS	4291	4585	3977	4884	2557	5149	4705		3899	3048		2937	1187	2395			32205	9718





# Town of Brookline Town Meeting Members

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	PRECINCT 6.			PRECINCT 7.			PRECINCT 8.			PRECINCT 9.			PRECINCT 10.		
	Town Meeting Members Vote for Five Three Year Term			Town Meeting Members Vote for Five Three Year Term			Town Meeting Members Vote for Five Three Year Term			Town Meeting Members Vote for Five Three Year Term			Town Meeting Members Vote for Five Three Year Term		
1.	FORD	2	274	FEDER	2	311	HECKES	3	231	BARR	3	264	BROWN	3	266
2.	PARKER	1	274	GOTTLIEB	4	257	HOVACK	5	198	FLASHENBERG	1	334	FORD	4	253
3.	SULLIVAN	3	265	STERN	5	257	RUBIN	4	210	GROSS		224	ROSEN	2	272
4.	DECKER		165	GELB	3	310	SNEIRSON	1	245	SESING	2	279	TISSER	1	287
5.	JREYFUS	4	260	SHERMAN	1	319	BOLON	2	236	SPEEN	5	250	FRANK		157
6.	GLICK		161							DEMPSEY	4	257	FREEMAN		202
7.	HOUЛИHAN		143										KAMPLER		173
8.	LIPMAN	5	253										ROSENBERG	5	241
9.	RANSOM		239												
10.	TARANTINO		243												
11.															
12.															
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16.															

# Town of Brookline

## Town Meeting Members

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PRECINCT 11.			PRECINCT 12.			PRECINCT 13.			PRECINCT 14.			PRECINCT 15.			PRECINCT 16.		
Town Meeting Members Vote for Five Three Year Term			Town Meeting Members Vote for Five Three Year Term			Town Meeting Members Vote for Five Three Year Term			Town Meeting Members Vote for Five Three Year Term			Town Meeting Members Vote for Five Three Year Term			Town Meeting Members Vote for Five Three Year Term		
1.	ALKON	2	242	FREEDMAN	4	253	KASSLER	2	307	BERG	2	308	HALL	3	319	BERENSON	287
2.	LANDAU	4	244	LALLY		188	PITKIN	1	312	BURACK		177	RICHARDSON	2	346	DORFMAN	1 491
3.	LANGERMAN	2	248	LIEBEY	2	315	SMITH	3	303	CONNOLLY		251	RUDMAN	4	314	FINE	3 308
4.	HEISTER		134	SARGON	5	214	STEIN		278	DOW	3	273	WYNER		248	SELIB	4 296
5.	HORNAN	1	250	SCHLESINGER	1	343	WALDMAN	5	285	SAX		113	HIRSHOM	1	367	SHIVEK	5 290
6.	KORITZ		125	BARDFIELD		095	GOLDBERG	4	302	ASH	5	252	HURLEY		244	BOXENHORN	052
7.	LERRA		223	KATZ		138	HOLBROOK		213	BAXTER		204	MARCS		283	FRAWLEY	285
8.	HOVAK	3	248	KAYAKACHOIAN	3	237				BREMNER		172	WINSLOW	5	291	GROPMAN	060
9.				MASON		146				LARKIN	1	317				MERRITT	061
10.				UBER		117				OSTRANDER	4	265				O'KEEFE	249
11.				KATZKOFF		037				LADAU		024				PITEGOFF	191
12.							VOTE FOR ONE TWO YEAR TERM									RUBINSTEIN	261
13.																STERN	2 401
14.							ALKON	1	165								
15.							BRUSSEL		153								
16.							STEINMAN		156								



Pursuant to the warrant of the Selectmen, served according to law upon the inhabitants of the Town of Brookline by a constable of said Town, and written notices sent by the Town Clerk at least seven days before the meeting to the Town Meeting Members qualified to act in Town Meetings in Brookline under the provisions of Chapter 43A of the General Laws, as amended, accepted by the Town of Brookline, March 10, 1942, the Town Meeting Members, so qualified met at the High School Auditorium in said Town on Tuesday, the thirtieth day of March, 1976 at half past seven in the evening.

Lists of duly qualified Town Meeting Members were used at the entrances to the meeting place and were in charge of Edward Kelly, Joseph Egan, John Mulhane, Vinson Pasta and Richard Nyhan, checkers who were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties by the Town Clerk. The list contained the names of two hundred and fifty-seven (257) Town Meeting Members qualified to participate in and vote in Town Meetings in Brookline. No Town Meeting Member was allowed within the rails until his name had been checked on the list.

At forty-seven minutes past seven o'clock the checkers reported that one hundred and thirty four (134) names of Town Meeting Members had been checked, or more than one half of all Town Meeting Members qualified, and the Town Clerk reported a quorum was present. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Justin L. Wyner.

The first verse of "The Star Spangled Banner" was sung by the audience accompanied at the piano by Robert I. Sperber, Superintendent of Schools.

Invocation by Monsignor Francis J. Sexton, pastor of St. Mary of the Assumption Church, in Brookline.

The Moderator requested the Town Meeting Members to remain standing in respect to the members and former members who died since the last Annual Town Meeting.

The Town Clerk read the following list:

#### Deceased Members

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE OF DEATH</u>	<u>SERVED</u>
Daniel G. Rollins	July 20, 1975	1943-1944, 1946
Charles R. Schnare	August 15, 1975	1971-1974
Neil A. Nevergelt	September 2, 1975	1967-1973
Francis F. Dolt	September 1, 1975	1967-1975
John P. Kilgallon	September 3, 1975	1948-1971
James S. Jennison	September 17, 1975	1968-1969
Donald Hewins	September 28, 1975	1946-1958
Arthur A. Medoff	September 26, 1975	1965-1974
Eugene P. Carver	December 13, 1975	1947-1953
George W. Shepherd	December 13, 1975	1947-1953
Sylvester Kaufman	January 1, 1976	1943-1974
Elliott Warren Pobbins	March 13, 1976	---
Edward J. Brady	March 25, 1976	1956-1972

Newly elected Town Meeting Members were sworn to the faithful performances of their duties by the Town Clerk.

Five students from Brookline High School volunteered their services to facilitate the use of the microphones by the Town Meeting Members as follows: Paula Demopoulos, Susan Pearl, Shelley Pollack, Eric Litt, and Graham Peaslee.

The Moderator appointed the following members as Tellers: Joseph I. Sargon, Mark A. Michelson, John M. Hall, Bernice R. Speen, John J. Doherty

and Joan J. Fried. They were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties.

# RESOLUTION

to

THOMAS F. LARKIN

WHEREAS,

Thomas F. Larkin has served the

TOWN OF BROOKLINE

for twenty years with great distinction in the office of Town Clerk, and

WHEREAS, the office of Town Clerk has become one of the most complex in Municipal Government, and

WHEREAS, said Thomas F. Larkin by his faithful discharge of his many faceted duties has exemplified the highest standards of public service winning the recognition of his peers throughout the Commonwealth who selected him as chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Massachusetts Town Clerks' Association, and

WHEREAS, by his untiring assistance to the residents of the Town and his unfailing good humor he has won the affectionate esteem of his fellow citizens; now,

THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT,

we the members of the Brookline Town Meeting on the occasion of his retirement wish him well in all his future endeavors. Most importantly we wish him success in his efforts to break par on every golf course he plays.

March 30, 1976

Justin F. Wyner (s)  
Moderator

Mr. Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, addressed the meeting and reported on the fiscal position of the Town, the free cash and the approximate increase in the tax rate.

Mr. Kenneth M. Nelson, Chairman of the Advisory Committee, addressed the meeting, and reported on the action taken by the Advisory Committee.

On a motion by Carl M. Sapers, duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted by a majority, was so declared by the Moderator and is so recorded.

RESOLUTION: That the question of the appropriate time for the annual town meeting be referred again to the Moderator's Committee on Town Organization and Structure which is to study the question, confer with the Board of Selectmen, the Advisory Committee and any other citizens interested in the question, and report its recommendations--including by-law changes if deemed appropriate--to the First Fall Town Meeting.



On a motion by Ruth D. Dorfman, duly seconded, it was voted: To appoint a Moderator's Committee of five to investigate why certain information was not available to Town Meeting Members until just prior to Town Meeting.

The above was passed by a majority so declared by the Moderator and is so recorded.

The Moderator appointed the following to serve on the Committee:

Ruth D. Dorfman, Chairperson  
John Doherty  
James Kurland  
Martha Edmondson  
Samuel Shaw

The Moderator checked through the Articles and those not held were considered first.

FIRST ARTICLE. To see if the town will vote that the number of Measurers of Wood and Bark be two, to be appointed by the Selectmen, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion of Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., duly seconded, it was voted unanimously: That the number of Measurers of Wood and Bark be two, to be appointed by the Selectmen.

SECOND ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1976, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Eleanor Myerson, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted: That the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is, authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of fiscal year beginning July 1, 1976, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

TWELFTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, or transfer within the Community Development Block Grant funds for FY-1977, \$8,000, or any other sum, to be expended by the Park and Recreation Commission, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for plans and specifications for the reconstruction of the Boylston Playground, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Edward Novakoff, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer within the Community Development Block Grant funds for FY-1977 (Public Improvement Section) \$8,000, to be expended by the Park and Recreation Commission, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for plans and specifications for the reconstruction of the Boylston Playground.

FIFTEENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue, as a public way, Emerald Street, accepted by the Town as a public way, named Pearl Place and renamed Emerald Street, September 18, 1971, as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Discontinuance of Emerald Street, Brookline, Mass.",

by Leo D. Picardi, P.E., Commissioner of Public Works, dated: December 10, 1975, examined and approved by the Town of Brookline Planning Board which plan, on file in the Town Clerk's Office, is incorporated herein by reference, and EXCEPTING from such discontinuance and reserving to the Town of Brookline the right and easement to lay out, construct and maintain, repair and use water pipes, surface water drains, sanitary sewers, traffic control signals, and fire alarm boxes with their respective appurtenances in the area shown on said plan as Emerald Street, and further EXCEPTING from said discontinuance present locations for water pipes, surface water drains, sanitary sewers, traffic control signals, fire alarm boxes, electric poles and lights, wires and appurtenances including the right to repair, replace, maintain and use same, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Judah Stone, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted: That the Town discontinue, as a public way, Emerald Street, accepted by the Town as a public way, named Pearl Place and renamed Emerald Street, September 18, 1871, as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Discontinuance of Emerald Street, Brookline, Mass." by Leo D. Picardi, P.E., Commissioner of Public Works, dated: December 10, 1975, examined and approved by the Town Clerk's Office, is incorporated herein by reference, and EXCEPTING from such discontinuance and reserving to the town of Brookline the right and easement to lay out, construct, maintain, repair and use water pipes, surface water drains, sanitary sewers, traffic control signals and fire alarm boxes, electric poles and lights, wires and appurtenances including the right to repair, replace, maintain and use same.

SIXTEENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will accept the layout of Pearl Street as a public way, as laid out by the Selectmen, in accordance with a description and plan now on file in the Town Clerk's Office, which plan by Leo D. Picardi, P.E., Commissioner of Public Works, dated January 5, 1976, examined and approved by the Town of Brookline Planning Board and on file in the Town Clerk's office, is incorporated herein by reference; to authorize the acquisition, in fee simple, by purchase, by gift or by a taking by eminent domain, of the property within said way; and to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum of money therefore, and all expenses in connection therewith, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Kenneth Nelson, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted: That the Town accept the layout of Pearl Street, as a public way, as laid out by the Selectmen, in accordance with the description and plan now on file in the Town Clerk's Office, which plan, by Leo D. Picardi, P.E., Commissioner of Public Works, dated January 5, 1976, examined and approved by the Town of Brookline Planning Board and on file in the Town Clerk's office, is incorporated by references; authorize the acquisition in fee simple, by purchase, by gift or by taking by eminent domain, of the property within said way.

SEVENTEENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will appropriate \$64,289, or any other sum, to be expended by the Commissioner of Public Works, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for the repair, reconstruction, and resurfacing of the following public ways under Chapter 765, Section 4, Acts of 1972 to be reimbursed from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

South Street - (Newton Street to Grove Street)

Lee Street - (Warren Street to Clyde Street)

Clyde Street - (Lee Street to Newton Street)

or any other approved streets, and to determine whether the same shall be raised by taxation, provided by a transfer from available funds, by



borrowing or by any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., duly seconded, it was voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer \$64,289 from Surplus Revenue to be expended by the Commissioner of Public Works with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for the repair, reconstruction, and resurfacing of the following public ways under Chapter 765, Section 4, Acts of 1972, to be reimbursed from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

South Street - (Newton Street to Grove Street)

Lee Street - (Warren Street to Clyde Street)

Clyde Street - (Lee Street to Newton Street)

TWENTY-FOURTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate from available funds, the sum of \$8,000 to be expended by the Department of Veterans' Services to provide Veterans' Quarters for the Fiscal year 1976.

On a motion of Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., duly seconded, it was unanimously voted: That action under the Twenty-Fourth Article be indefinitely postponed.

TWENTY-EIGHTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will amend Article XXII of the Bylaws of the Town of BROOKLINE by adding to section 5. Penalty, a new Section C, to read as follows:

"Section C: The dog or Canine Officer may issue a citation upon the complaint of a citizen of the Town of Brookline."; or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded, it was unanimously voted: That the action under the Twenty-Eighth Article be indefinitely postponed.

THIRTY-SECOND ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to file legislation, general or special, substantially as follows: That legislation enacted by the Great and General Court of Massachusetts and which imposes costs on cities and towns shall be funded by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts or, alternately, shall become binding only upon approval of a particular city or town by vote of its council or town meeting, or will take any other action with respect thereto.

On a motion by Kenneth Nelson, duly seconded, it was voted: That this Town Meeting vote to inform its representatives in the General Court and the Governor, Speaker of the House, and President of the Senate, that it favors the enactment of the following amendment to the Constitution.

A majority of all the members elected to the Senate and House of Representatives, in joint session, hereby declares it to be expedient to alter the constitution by the adoption of the following article of amendment to the end that it may become a part of the constitution (if similarly agreed to in a joint session of the next General Court and approved by the people at the state election next following):

#### ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

No law imposing additional costs upon two or more cities or towns by the regulation of the compensation, hours, status, conditions or benefits or municipal employment shall be effective in any city or town until such law is accepted by vote or by the appropriation of money for such purposes, in the case of a city, by the city council in accordance with

its charter, and in the case of a town, by a Town Meeting, unless such law has been enacted by the General Court by a two thirds vote of each of its branches, or unless the General Court at the same session in which such law is enacted has provided for the assumption by the Commonwealth of such additional cost.

No law granting or increasing exemptions from local taxation, increasing the pension of retirement benefits of municipal employees or increasing the benefits payable to any class of persons shall be effective in any city or town, unless such law has been enacted by the General Court by a two-thirds vote of each of its branches, or unless the General Court, at the same session in which such law was enacted, had provided for the assumption by the Commonwealth of any such increased expenditures or of any loss of taxes resulting from such exemption.

THIRD ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article I-B of the Bylaws of the Town by adding , deleting or substitution of positions or classes in the Classification Plan, or will otherwise amend said Article I-B, and will amend the pay plan by establishing, deleting or substituting minimum, maximum, or flat rate salaries for any position or class which may have been added to, deleted from or substituted in the Classification Plan under this Article, or by changing any of the existing salaries, or by amending the general provisions with respect to sick leave and the like; or otherwise amend said Pay Plan, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Kenneth Nelson, duly seconded, it was voted: To amend Article I-B (Classification and Pay Plans) of the Bylaws of the Town as follows:

- a) By adding the following new classifications and assigned pay grades, subject to prior approval by the appointing authority, Commission, if any, the Board of Selectmen, and the Civil Service Commission, as necessary, together with such title verification or title change, competitive or promotional examinations, as may be required by the Civil Service Director, where applicable:
  1. Assistant Garage Clerk - Grade G-3 (Min. \$160.40 - Max. \$169.40)
  2. Life Guard - Ungraded (\$3.40/Hour)
  3. Locker Attendant (P.T./Seasonal) - Ungraded (3.40/Hour)
  4. Junior Umpire - Ungraded (\$7.00/Game)
- b) By deleting the following classifications from Classification and Pay Plans as there are no incumbents and the classifications are no longer required:
  1. Parks Division Foreman
  2. Incinerator Crane Operator
  3. Working Foreman-Incinerator
  4. Stoker and Laborer
  5. Incinerator Maintenance Man and Laborer
- c) By changing the title of the following classifications as indicated with no change in pay grade:
  1. Incinerator Foreman to Disposal Facility Foreman

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded, the following was defeated by a majority vote:

To amend Article I-B (Classification and Pay Plans) of the Bylaws



of the Town by reallocating the following classification to a higher pay grade effective July 1, 1976:

- a. Drug and Alcohol Treatment Coordinator  
from G-15 (Min. \$285.50 - Max. \$295.50)  
to G-16 (Min. \$307.65 - Max. \$322.65)

To amend Article I-B (Classification and Pay Plans) of the Bylaws of the Town by adding the following notes to the pay schedules indicated:

a. Labor Classifications

- 1. Motor Equipment Operator, Grade 3, and laborer (pay grade L-6) assigned to operate tractor trailers shall be paid at pay grade L-7.
- 2. Motor Equipment Operator, Grade 2, and Laborer (pay grade L-4) assigned to operate the sewer jet machine shall be paid at pay grade L-5.

To amend said Article I-B (Classification and Pay Plans) of the Bylaws of the Town as follows:

a. By adding the following new classifications and assigned pay grades, subject to prior approval by the appointing authority, Commission, if any, the Board of Selectmen, and the Civil Service Commission as necessary, together with such title verification or title change, competitive or promotional examinations as may be required by the Civil Service Director where applicable:

- 1. Heavy Motor Equipment Repairman - Grade L-8 (\$259.00 - Flat Rate)
- 2. Assistant Garage Clerk - Grade G-3 (Min. \$160.40 - Max. \$169.40)
- 3. Life Guard - Ungraded (\$3.40/Hour)
- 4. Locker Attendant (P.T./Seasonal) - Ungraded (\$3.40/Hour)
- 5. Junior Umpire - Ungraded (\$7.00/Game)

b. By Deleting the following classifications from the Classification and Pay Plans as there are no incumbents and the classifications are no longer required.

- 1. Parks Division Foreman
- 2. Incinerator Crane Operator
- 3. Working Foreman-Incinerator
- 4. Stoker and Laborer
- 5. Incinerator Maintenance Man and Laborer

c. By Changing the title of the following classification as indicated with no change in pay grade:

- 1. Incinerator Foreman to Disposal Facility Foreman

FOURTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, the sum, or any other sum or sums, requested or proposed by the Selectmen, or by any other officer, board or committee, for any or all Town expenses and purposes, including, without limiting the foregoing, debt and interest, out of state travel, operating expenses, and to fix the salaries or other compensation of all elected officers of the Town, as provided in General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 108, and to provide for a reserve fund, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion duly made and seconded, all items and conditions applicable

as printed or amended, were unanimously voted except items 1,4,7,14,16,18, 19,20,22,23,30,31,32,33,36,41,42,45,46,50, and adjustments in salaries which were voted by a majority or unanimous vote.

## ANNUAL APPROPRIATION VOTE

For expenses of General Government, specifically appropriated as follows:

	FY-1977
	\$170,151.00
1. Selectmen.....	
The salaries of the Selectmen shall be at the rate of \$3,500 per annum for the chairman and at the rate of \$2,500 per annum for each of the other four.	
2. Personnel.....	\$ 56,725.00
3. Advisory Committee.....	\$ 2,950.00
4. Planning Department.....	\$118,534.00
5. Town Clerk.....	\$215,648.00
The salary of the Town Clerk shall be at the rate of \$21,250 per annum provided that all fees received by him by virtue of his office shall be paid into the Town Treasury for the use of the Town.	
6. Legal Expenses.....	\$102,644.00
(a) Indemnifications-- G.L. Chapter 41, Sec. 100A	
7. Comptroller.....	\$3,681,477.00
8. Treasurer and Collector...	\$120,622.00
Of this amount \$11,404 is to be taken from the account entitled Parking Meter Fees, and \$109,218 be included in the tax levy. The salary of the Treasurer and Collector shall be at the rate of \$24,720 per annum provided that all fees received by him by virtue of his offices shall be paid into the Town Treasury for the use of the Town.	
9. Assessors.....	\$102,797.00
10. Purchasing.....	\$ 78,978.00
11. Town Hall.....	\$154,304.00
12. Repairs to Public Buildings	\$106,423.00



13. General Services and Communications	\$262,599.00	
		\$5,176,852.00

## B.

For Maintaining the Public Safety, specifically appropriated as follows:

14. Police Department.....	\$2,976,332.00	
Of this amount \$60,000.00 is to be taken from the account entitled Parking Meter Fees, \$300,000.00 is to be transferred from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund, and \$2,616,332.00 to be raised and appropriated in the tax levy.		
15. Transportation Department.....	\$65,233.00	
16. Fire Department.....	\$3,753,758.00	
Of this amount \$400,000.00 is to be transferred from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund, and \$3,353,758.00 is to be raised and appropriated in the tax levy.		
17. Building Inspection.....	\$215,678.00	
		\$7,011,001.00

## C.

For Public Works, specifically appropriated as follows:

18. Personnel Services.....	\$3,015,978.00	
19. Maintenance of Public Works.....	\$1,741,782.00	
Of this amount \$61,712.50 is to be taken from the account entitled Parking Meter Fees, and \$4,696,047.50 is to be raised and appropriated in the tax levy.		
		\$4,757,760.00

## D.

For Public Health, specifically appropriated as follows:

20. Health Department.....	\$602,913.00
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For Veterans' Services, specifically appropriated as follows:

21. Veterans' Services.....	\$272,209.00
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## F.

For Maintaining the Public Schools, specifically appropriated as follows:

22. Instructional Services.....	\$9,272,768.00
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23. Support Services.....	\$5,013,703.00
Total of above items.....	\$14,286,471.00
Less amounts available from P.L.864 and 874 accounts.....	91,108.00
	\$14,195,363.00*

The expected amount which the Town will receive under Chap. 643, Acts of 1948, in 1976-77 from School Aid and other sources is:

Estimates of School Aid and State reimbursements \$1,362,000.00

Estimated amount of Construction grants:  
\$914,463.00

Estimates of other receipts on account of School support \$87,880.00

Total estimated receipts on account of School support \$2,364,343.00

\*Of this amount not more than \$12,452.00 is available for travel outside of State.

#### G.

For Maintaining Libraries, specifically appropriated as follows:

##### Public Library

24. Personal Services.....	\$751,763.00
25. Maintenance of Library.....	295,750.00
	\$1,047,513.00

Of this amount \$22,008.38 is to be taken from the account entitled State Aid for Free Public Libraries, and \$1,025,504.62 is to be raised and appropriated in the tax levy.

#### H.

For Council for the Aging, specifically appropriated as follows:

26. Council for the Aging.....	\$95,294.00
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#### I.

For Conservation Commission, specifically appropriated as follows:

27. Conservation Commission.....	\$32,486.00
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## J.

For Maintenance and Construction of Parks and Public Grounds, Recreation and for the Suppression of Insects and the Planting and Preserving of Trees, specifically appropriated as follows:

## Park Division:

28. Personal Services.....	\$898,881.00
29. Maintenance of Parks and Public Grounds.....	<u>192,897.00</u>
Total Park Division.....	\$1,091,778.00

Recreation Division:

30. Personal Services.....	\$599,872.00
31. Maintenance of Recreation.....	<u>259, 667.00</u>
Total Recreation Division.....	<u>\$859,539.00</u>

Forestry Division:

32. Personal Services.....	\$175,590.00
33. Planting and Preserving Trees and Suppression of Insects (including Dutch Elm Disease).....	<u>49,686.00</u>
Total Forestry Division.....	<u>\$225,276.00</u>
	\$2,176,593.00

## K.

For Maintenance and Care of Cemeteries, specifically appropriated as follows:

34. Care of Cemeteries.....	\$ 89,702.00
Of this amount \$22,330.00 is to be taken from receipts in Walnut Hills Cemetery accounts, the sale of lots and miscellaneous and \$67,372.00 to be included in the tax levy.	

## L.

For Rent Control Board, specifically appropriated as follows:

35. Rent Control Board.....	\$151,504.00
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## M.

For Human Relations -- Youth Resources, specifically appropriated as follows:

36. Human Relations -- Youth Resources	\$158,512.00
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N.

For Unclassified Expenses, specifically appropriated as follows:

37. Travel Outside State: (a) On Order of the Board of Selectmen.....	\$ 5,000.00
38. Printing Warrants and Reports.....	27,000.00
39. Contingencies Account.....	43,000.00
40. Reserve Fund.....	460,000.00
41. Group Insurance.....	1,649,000.00
42. Workmen's Compensation.....	312,652.00
43. Dues -- Selectmen's Association.....	780.00
44. Dues -- Mass. League of Cities and Towns.....	3,064.00
45. Property and Boiler Insurance.....	83,000.00
46. Payment in Lieu of Taxes (City of Boston).....	6,000.00
47. Independent Audit.....	<u>17,000.00</u>
	\$ 2,606,496.00

O.

For Interest on the Town Debt and Temporary Loans and for so much of the Principal of the Town Debt as matures during the current fiscal year:

48. Payment on Maturing Funded Debt.....	\$2,586,000.00
49. Interest on Funded Debt.....	857,187.00
50. Miscellaneous Interest and Fees.....	<u>80,000.00</u>
	3,523,187.00
TOTAL.....	<u><u>\$41,897,385.00</u></u>

For Adjustments in Salaries

Salary Adjustments Town - Included in Classification and Pay Plan.....	\$ 12,600.00 (Engineers)
Salary Adjustments Town - Other.....	
Salary Adjustments School Committee.....	573,000.00

To provide adjustments in the salaries of officers as may be determined by the Board of Selectmen, and of employees included within the Classification and Pay Plans of the Town, the proper amounts to be allocated by the Comptroller to the various departments and thereafter to be paid from the treasury upon the orders of the various boards and heads of departments



concerned, with the approval of the Selectmen.

To provide for salary adjustments of School Committee employees as a result of collective bargaining.

#### Funding

Unless otherwise specified in individual cases, the appropriations made under Article 4 shall be raised and appropriated.

#### Conditions

The salaries voted herein shall be for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1976.

Expenditures chargeable to funds provided for Personal Services shall be restricted to the total amounts set forth in the recommendations of the Advisory Committee respecting each department, program and sub-program as they be amended by action of the Town at a Town Meeting, and such funds may be used for Personnel Services only, as if voted separately in the appropriation vote. Such expenditures shall be limited (a) to the number of positions in each pay or salary classification and (b) as to each position not within the Classification and Pay Plans of the Town, to the amount of compensation recommended by the Advisory Committee therefor, as they may be amended by action of the Town at a Town Meeting, unless specifically changed by the Selectmen as restricted by the total adjustment, set forth in the vote above, as may be amended by action of Town Meeting. Funds recommended by the Advisory Committee for overtime, as they may be amended by action of the Town at a Town Meeting, shall be restricted to expenditures for that specific purpose.

Expenditures chargeable to funds provided for Contractual Services shall be restricted to the total amounts set forth in the recommendations of the Advisory Committee respecting each department, program and sub-program as they may be amended by action of the Town at a Town Meeting, and such funds may be used for Contractual Services only, as if voted separately in the appropriation vote.

Expenditures chargeable to funds provided for Supplies and Materials shall be restricted to the total amounts set forth in the recommendations of the Advisory Committee respecting each department, program and sub-program as they may be amended by action of the Town at a Town Meeting, and such funds may be used for Supplies and Materials only, as if voted separately in the appropriation vote.

Expenditures chargeable to funds provided for Other Charges shall be restricted to the total amounts set forth in the recommendations of the Advisory Committee respecting each department, program and sub-program as they may be amended by action of the Town at a Town Meeting and such funds may be used for Other Charges only, as if voted separately in the appropriation vote.

The Selectmen may permit specific transfers among the funds provided for Contractual Services, Supplies and Materials, and Other Charges, within the total amount of such funds appropriated for each department and program.

Whenever materials are furnished by one department, program or sub-program to another, the cost of which is charged in the first instance to the appropriation of the former, detailed records thereof shall be kept and credit be given to the former in the records of the Comptroller.

The foregoing restrictions on expenditures for Personal Services, Contractual Services, Supplies and Materials, and Other Charges shall not apply to the appropriation for maintaining the Public Schools.

Expenditures chargeable to funds provided for Capital Expenditures shall be restricted to the items and amounts set forth in the recommendations of

the Advisory Committee respecting each department, program and sub-program as they may be amended by action of the Town at a Town Meeting, as if voted separately in the appropriation vote, unless specifically changed by the Selectmen within the total amount appropriated for each department and program.

Twelve months after the completion and acceptance of any construction voted under any Article at this Town Meeting all unencumbered funds shall be closed to the Surplus Revenue of the Town, or otherwise disposed of in accordance with law, and no further expenditures shall be authorized.

Expenditures chargeable to the appropriation for Repairs to Public Buildings shall be restricted to the items and amounts set forth in the recommendations of the Advisory Committee, as they may be amended by action of the Town at a Town Meeting unless specifically changed by the Selectmen.

Authority is hereby granted to the School Committee to enter into leases for temporary classrooms at various locations.

Items 1,4, and 7 were voted by a majority.

Note: Items: 14,16,18,19,20,36,46,50 were voted at the recessed Meeting held on April 1, 1976.

Items: 22,23,30,32,33,41,42,45, and Salary Adjustments School Committee were voted at the Recessed Meeting held on April 6, 1976.

At fifty minutes after eleven o'clock on motion it was:

Voted: To recess this meeting until Thursday, April 1, 1976 at half past seven in the evening at the same place.

At the close of the meeting the checkers at the entrance reported that the names of the two hundred and thirty-one (231) Town Meeting Members had been checked as present at this meeting.

Recessed

John F. Kendrick  
Town Clerk



Recessed Annual Town Meeting  
April 1, 1976

In accordance with the vote passed at the Annual Town Meeting on March 30, 1976, the Town Meeting Members met at the High School Auditorium on Thursday, April 1, 1976 at half past seven in the evening.

No Town Meeting Member was allowed within the rails until his name had been checked on the list.

At fifty-two minutes past seven o'clock the checkers reported that one hundred and twenty-eight (128) names of Town Meeting Members had been checked, or more than one half of all Town Meeting Members qualified, and the Town Clerk reported a quorum was present.

The Meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Justin L. Wyner.

Theresa Murphy, a student at Brookline High School, was present to facilitate the use of the microphones by Town Meeting Members.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., it was unanimously voted to lay on the table Article 4 and advance Article 27 for consideration before returning to continue consideration of Article 4.

TWENTY-SEVENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will amend Article XXII, Section 1, of the Town Bylaws entitled "Impounding, Release and Disposition of Dogs" by deleting in subsection a.) the phrase "dog officers shall be on duty between the hours of 7:00A.M. and 11:00 P.M. seven days a week and shall cause a dog to be impounded for any one of the following causes" and substitute therefore the phrase "a dog officer shall cause a dog to be impounded for any one of the following causes", or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Ferris M. Hall duly seconded the above Article was defeated.

ARTICLE FOUR

Item 14: On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., it was: Voted by a majority to appropriate \$2,976,332.00.

Item 16: On a motion by James P. Duggan duly seconded it was voted by roll call vote recorded as follows:

YES 120

NO 93

PRESENT 3

to appropriate \$3,753,758.00

Items: 18,19,20,36,46,50, previously held were voted by a unanimous vote.

At fifty-five minutes after ten o'clock on motion it was:

Voted: To recess this meeting until Tuesday, April 6, 1976 at half past seven in the evening at the same place.

At the close of the meeting the checkers at the entrance reported that the names of two hundred and eighteen Town Meeting Members had been checked as present at this meeting.

Recessed:

John F. Kendrick  
Town Clerk

Recessed Annual Town Meeting  
April 6, 1976

In accordance with the vote passed at the Recessed Annual Town meeting on April 1, 1976, the Town Meeting Members met at the High School Auditorium on Tuesday, April 6, 1976 at half past seven in the evening.

No Town Meeting Member was allowed within the rail until his name had been checked on the list.

At fifty-eight minutes after seven, the checkers reported that one hundred and thirty-seven (137) of the Town Meeting Members had been checked, or more than one half of all the members qualified, and the Town Clerk reported a quorum was present.

The Moderator, Justin L. Wyner called to order the special Town Meeting for April 6, 1976.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded, it was unanimously voted:

To adjourn the Special Town Meeting until such time that all items in Article 4 of the Annual Appropriation Vote has been dispensed with.

On a motion by Ruth Dorfman, duly seconded, it was voted:

To defer action under both Pierce School Articles until all relative information has been delivered seven days in advance to Town Meeting Members.

The following students from Brookline High School volunteered their services to facilitate the use of the microphones by Town Meeting Members: Theresa Murphy, Richard Piltch and Stuart Piltch.

#### ARTICLE FOUR (cont.)

Item 22: On a motion by Luster Delany, duly seconded, it was voted to appropriate \$9,272,768. On a motion by Michael Robbins duly seconded, it was voted:

That the Town instruct the School Committee to use, as part of the Fiscal 1977 Budget appropriation voted under Article 4, all of the Public Law 864 and 874 funds (\$91,108) appropriated and transferred for such use so that at the end of Fiscal 1977 all of said funds allocated for Fiscal 1977 have been expended.

Item 23: On a motion by Luster Delany, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted to appropriate \$5,013,703.

Item 30: On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded, it was voted to appropriate \$599,872.

Item 31: On a motion by Eleanor Myerson, duly seconded, it was voted to appropriate \$259,667.

Item 32: On a motion by Edward Novakoff, duly seconded, it was voted to appropriate \$175,590. On a motion by Henry Wiggin, duly seconded, it was voted to transfer the sum of \$3,000 from code 3-30-300 Dutch Elm Disease Control - Element Removal to code 3-10-100 Dutch Elm Disease spraying.

Item 33: On a motion by Henry Wiggin, duly seconded, it was voted to appropriate \$49,686. On a hand count it was declared by the Moderator that 150 voted in favor, 9 opposed and 1 abstained. It is so recorded.

Item 41: On a motion by Stephen Goldenberg, duly seconded, it was voted to appropriate \$1,649,000. Samuel Shaw recorded abstained.

Item 42: On a motion by Judah Stone, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted to appropriate \$312,652.

Item 45: On a motion by Judah Stone, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted to appropriate \$83,000.

On a motion by Michael Selib, duly seconded, it was voted that no



expenditures of funds be made under items 41 and 45 until public bidding process is complete.

Salary Adjustments School Committee. On a motion by Ann Wacker, duly seconded it was unanimously voted to appropriate \$537,000.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded it was unanimously voted to appropriate all items under Article 4 as voted and amended and subject to the conditions as printed under Article 4.

At 10:05 on a motion by Bruce Young, duly seconded, it was voted to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting until all Articles have been dispensed with under the Special Town Meeting called for April 6, 1976.

#### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

April 6, 1976

FIRST ARTICLE. To see if the Town will appropriate from available funds, \$59,500, or any other sum, to be added to the annual appropriation voted under Article 5 in the Warrant for the 1975 Annual Town Meeting for Public Library, Personal Services, to fund the cost items in the labor agreement between the Town and the Staff Association of the Public Library of Brookline for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1975, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Edward Novakoff, duly seconded, it was voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer from Surplus Revenue \$59,500, to be added to the annual appropriation voted under Article 5 in the warrant for the 1975 Annual Town Meeting, for Public Library, Personal Services, to fund the cost items in the labor agreement between the Town and the Staff Association of the Public Library of Brookline for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1975.

SECOND ARTICLE. To see if the Town will appropriate from available funds, \$67,260, or any other sum to be added to the appropriation voted under Article 5, in the Warrant for the 1975 Annual Town Meeting for unclassified expenses, workmen's compensation, for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1975, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded, it was unanimously voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer from Surplus Revenue, \$67,260, to be added to the appropriation voted under Article 5 in the Warrant for the 1975 Annual Town Meeting for unclassified expenses, workmen's compensation, for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1975.

THIRD ARTICLE. To see if the Town will appropriate from available funds a sum of money to pay any one or more of the following unpaid bills of previous years, in the amounts indicated below, which may be legally unenforceable due to the insufficiency of the appropriation therefore:

Workmen's Compensation	
Liberty Mutual Insurance Company	
November 29, 1973 to November 29, 1974	\$47,349
Workmen's Compensation	
Liberty Mutual Insurance Company	
November 29, 1974 to July 1, 1975	\$47,152
TOTAL:	\$94,501

or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded, it was unanimously voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer from surplus revenue \$94,501 to pay the following unpaid bills of previous years, in the amounts indicated below, which may be legally unenforceable due to the insufficiency of the appropriation therefore:

Workmen's Compensation	
Liberty Mutual Insurance Company	
November 29, 1973 to November 29, 1974	\$47,349.
Workmen's Compensation	
Liberty Mutual Insurance Company	
November 29, 1974 to July 1, 1975	\$47,152.
TOTAL:	<u>\$94,501.</u>

and authorize the payment of the bills.

FOURTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to petition and/or approve the filing of a petition to the General Court for legislation empowering the School Committee to appoint and employ a Director of School Plant and a Director of School Food Services with said positions not subject to the laws, rules and regulations pertaining to Civil Service, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Ann Wacker, duly seconded, it was voted: That the Town authorize and approve the filing of the following petition to the General Court by the Brookline School Committee:

AN ACT EMPOWERING THE BROOKLINE SCHOOL COMMITTEE TO APPOINT AND EMPLOY A DIRECTOR OF SCHOOL PLANT AND A DIRECTOR OF SCHOOL FOOD SERVICES WITH SAID POSITIONS NOT SUBJECT TO THE LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO CIVIL SERVICE.

Be it enacted etc., as follows:

Section 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Brookline School Committee is empowered to appoint and employ a Director of School Plant and a Director of School Food Services, with said positions not to be subject to the laws, rules and regulations pertaining to Civil Service, G.L.C. 31, as amended.

On a motion by Ferris Hall, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted: to dissolve Special Town Meeting at 10:14 P.M.

Recessed Annual Town Meeting



FIFTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to return the following unexpended balances in special appropriation to the Treasury:

\$13,306.24 - Plans and Specifications, New Lincoln School (Article #13 1970 Annual Town Meeting Warrant and Article #12, 1972 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$20,859.04 - Plans and Specifications, additions and alterations to the Lawrence School (Article #26, 1969 Annual Town Meeting Warrant and Article #14, 1970 Annual Town Meeting Warrant)

\$3,000.00 - New traffic signals, Beacon, Mountfort & Saint Paul Streets (Article #30, 1969 Annual Town Meeting Warrant)

\$850.00 - Installation of sprinkler system in various schools (Article #18, 1970 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$4,776.25 - Town center power supply system (Article #21, 1971 Annual Town Meeting Warrant)

\$2,154.00 - Tree planting of roadside trees, various streets (Article #16, 1972 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$5,940.61 - Reconstruction, maintenance and repair of various streets and sidewalks (Article #19, 1972 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$6,718.16 - Modernization of traffic controls, various streets, 1970 (Article #31, 1970 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$1,347.88 - Neighborhood Improvements Program Mass. E-12 (Article #31, 1971 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$30,000.00 - Remodeling, reconstruction of Pierce School not scheduled to be demolished (Article #1, June 16, 1970, Special Town Meeting).

\$19,500.00 - Additional relocation and moving costs, Pierce School (Article #5, June 16, 1970, Special Town Meeting).

\$982.27 - Study of solid waste system (Article #22, 1972 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$191.00 - Water drain easement, Harvard Avenue (Article #26, 1971 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$118.75 - Easements, land drainage-water conservation (Article #32, 1972 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$43,400.00 - Modernization of traffic control devices, various streets (Article #24, 1972 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$12,700.00 - Traffic signal improvements, Washington St. at station #7 (Article #25, 1972 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$38,802.00 - Installation of traffic control devices at "school zones" (Article #26, 1972 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$1,139.48 - Reconstruction, artificial skating rink, (Article #22, 1973 Annual Town Meeting Warrant)

\$200.75 - Construction of Schick Park (Article #23, 1973 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$825.50 - Holden St. alterations (Article #9, October 15, 1973, Special Town Meeting Warrant).

or will take any other action with respect thereto.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded, it was unanimously voted: To authorize the Comptroller to close out either all or a portion of the unexpended balances in the following Special Appropriations and return said sums to the Surplus Revenue Account, as set forth below:

\$850.00 - Installation of sprinkler system in various schools (Article #18, 1970 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$2,154.00 - Tree planting of roadside trees, various streets (Article #16, 1972 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$5,940.61 - Reconstruction, maintenance and repair of various streets

sidewalks (Article #19, 1972 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$47,718.16 - Modernization of traffic controls, various streets, 1970 (Article #31, 1970 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$1,347.88 - Neighborhood Improvement Program Mass. E-12 (Article #31, 1971 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$982.27 - Study of solid waste system (Article #22, 1972 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$1,139.48 - Reconstruction, artificial skating rink, (Article #22, 1973 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

\$4,776.25 - or so much thereof, as remains after audit to be conducted prior to June 30, 1976. Town Center Power Supply System (Article #21, 1971 Annual Town Meeting Warrant).

SIXTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 32, Section 90A, will increase the retirement allowance of any former employee of the Town who has retired on account of injuries sustained in the performance of his duties, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Jean Berg, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted to postpone indefinitely action under this article.

SEVENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum of money, to be expended by the Retirement Board of the Town, to provide for a cost of living adjustment to retirees of the town, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 32, Section 102, as amended, with the adjustment to be effective July 1, 1976, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Dennis Fitzgerald, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted to postpone indefinitely action under this article.

EIGHTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town in accordance with Section 64 of Chapter 44, of the General Laws, will authorize payment of any one or more of the following unpaid bills of previous years, in the amounts indicated below, and which may be legally unenforceable due to the insufficiency of the appropriation therefore:

Boston University Work Study (Conservation Commission)	\$ 83,15
Tom Field Associates, Inc. (School Committee)	\$850.00
Coolidge Corner Gulf Service (Dept. of Public Works)	\$ 92,72
William I. Hirshom, D.M.D. (Dept. of Public Welfare)	\$256.00
Frederick P. Meade	\$176.80
Dr. Gerald Winkler (Police Department)	\$262.50

and will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$1,721. or any other sum, to pay for the same, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Edward Novakoff, duly seconded, it was voted: That the Town in accordance with Section 64, of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, authorize payment of the following unpaid bills of previous years, in the amounts indicated below, and which may be legally unenforceable due to the insufficiency of the appropriation therefore:



Boston University Work Study (Conservation Commission)	\$ 83.15
Tom Fields Associates, Inc. (School Committee)	\$850.00
Coolidge Corner Gulf Service (Dept. of Public Works)	\$ 92.72
Frederick P. Meade	\$176.80
Dr. Gerald Winkler (Police Dept.)	\$262.50

and raise and appropriate \$1,721.17 to pay for the same.

On a hand count, 185 voted in favor, 1 opposed, and William Hirshom abstained from voting.

NINTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$27,155, or any other sum, to be expended by the Trustees of the Public Library, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for the installation of a Book Security System at the Main Library, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Ralph Levy, duly seconded, it was voted: That the Town raise and appropriate \$27,155, to be expended by the Trustees of the Public Library, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for the installation of a Book Security System at the Main Library.

Voted: That the next session of the Recesses Annual Town Meeting be held on Thursday, April 8, 1976 at 7:30 P.M. in the High School Auditorium.

At five minutes after eleven on a motion, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted: To recess the meeting at 11:05 P.M. until Thursday, April 8, 1976, at half past seven in the evening, at the same place.

At the close of the meeting the checkers at the entrance reported the names of two hundred and twenty-four (224) Town Meeting Members had been checked as present at the meeting.

Recessed:

John F. Kendrick  
Town Clerk

Recessed Annual Town Meeting  
April 8, 1976

In accordance with the vote passed at the recessed Town Meeting on April 6, 1976, the Town Meeting Members met at the High School Auditorium on Thursday, April 8, 1976 at half past seven in the evening.

No Town Meeting Member was allowed within the rails until his name had been checked off the list.

At fifty minutes after seven o'clock, the checkers reported that one hundred and thirty (130) names of Town Meeting Members had been checked, or more than one half of all members qualified, and the Town Clerk reported a quorum was present.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Justin L. Wyner.

The following students from Brookline High School volunteered their services to facilitate the use of the microphones by the Town Meeting Members: Eric Litt and Theresa Murphy.

TENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$8,000, or any other sum, to be expended by the Park and Recreation Commission, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for Landscape Architect's fees for the design plans and contract documents for the redesign of Beacon Playground, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded, it was voted to indefinitely postpone action under Article 10.

ELEVENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds \$115,000, or any other sum, to be expended by the Park and Recreation Commission, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for the repair of Beacon Playground, including the reconstruction of five (5) clay tennis courts and three (3) laykold (hard surface) tennis courts, and other facilities, and to authorize and empower the Park and Recreation Commission to enter into agreements with State or Federal agencies for financial and other assistance in connection with the said repair reconstruction and the development and operation of Park and Recreation facilities in the Beacon Playground, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Walter Elcock, duly seconded, to amend the advisory committee motion by substituting of \$86,400 for the \$94,000 and "hard tru" for cushioned, was defeated by a majority vote, so declared by the Moderator, and so recorded.

On a motion by Dennis Fitzgerald, duly seconded, it was voted: That the Town raise and appropriate \$94,000 to be expended by the Park and Recreation Commission with the approval of the Board of Selectmen for the repair, of Beacon Playground, including construction of five (5) cushioned hard surface courts and the resurfacing of three (3) asphalt (hard surface) tennis courts, and other facilities, and authorize and empower the Park and Recreation Commission to enter into agreements with State or Federal agencies for financial and other assistance in connection with the said repair, reconstruction and the development and operation of park and recreation facilities in the Beacon Playground.

THIRTEENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will accept the report of the feasibility study, prepared by Arrow-street, Inc., Cambridge, Massachusetts, architect, for the Lynch Recreation Center, under agreement between the architect and the Town, dated Feb. 2, 1976, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Luster Delany, duly seconded, it was voted to postpone



action indefinitely under Article 13.

FOURTEENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, including a transfer within the Community Development Block Grant funds for FY-77, a sum of money to be expended by the Building Commission, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for architectural plans and specifications for the rehabilitation and modification of the James J. Lynch Recreation Center, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded, it was voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer within the Community Development Block Grant Funds for FY-77 \$50,000 to be expended by the Building Commission with the approval of the Board of Selectmen for plans and specifications for the rehabilitation and modification of the James J. Lynch Recreation Center.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously:

Voted: That the next session of the Recessed Annual Town Meeting be held on Monday, April 12, 1976 at 7:30 P.M. in the High School Auditorium.

At thirty-seven minutes after eleven on a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously:

Voted: To recess the meeting at 11:37 P.M. until Monday, April 12, 1976 at half past seven in the evening, at the same place.

At the close of the meeting the checkers at the entrances reported that the names of two hundred and eight (208) Town Meeting Members had been checked as present at the meeting.

Recessed:

John F. Kendrick  
Town Clerk

Recessed Annual Town Meeting  
April 12, 1976

In accordance with the vote passed at the Recessed Annual Town Meeting on April 8, 1976, the Town Meeting Members met at the High School Auditorium on Monday, April 12, 1976 at half past seven in the evening.

No Town Meeting Member was allowed within the rails until his name had been checked on the list.

At fifty-five minutes after seven o'clock, the checkers reported that one hundred and thirty-one (131) names of Town Meeting Members had been checked or more than one half of all members qualified, and the Town Clerk reported a quorum was present.

The meeting was called to order by the Town Moderator, Justin L. Wyner. Julie Muse a student from Brookline High School, volunteered her services to facilitate the use of the microphones by Town Meeting Members.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded, it was voted to reconsider Article 4, on April 27 for the purpose of considering a collective bargaining agreement reached by the Personnel Board and the Brookline Division Engineering Associates.

EIGHTEENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$132,052, or any other sum, to be expended by the Commissioner of Public Works, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for the reconstruction, maintenance and repairs of various street, sidewalks, bridges and paths within the Town, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Edward Novakoff, duly seconded, Article 18 was defeated, so declared by the Moderator and is so recorded.

NINETEENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will appropriate \$250,000, or any other sum, to be expended by the Commissioner of Public Works, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for laying and relaying water mains of not less than six (6) inches but less than sixteen (16) inches in diameter and for lining such mains with linings of not less than one-sixteenth (1/16) of an inch, and to determine whether the same shall be raised by taxation, provided by a transfer from available funds, by borrowing or by any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Jean Berg, duly seconded, it was

Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate \$250,000, to be expended by the Commissioner of Public Works, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen for laying and relaying of water mains of six to sixteen inches in diameter and for lining such mains with linings of not less than one-sixteenth (1/16) of an inch; provided further, however, that the Commissioner, with the assistance of the Engineering Division, the Treasurer's office, and such other departments as he may deem appropriate undertake a study of feasibility, costs, benefits, and detriments of the Town undertaking an accelerated program (by bonding or otherwise) of replacing/cleaning/relining water mains; and report back his findings and recommendations to the first fall Special Town Meeting. - 1976

TWENTIETH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$50,000, or any other sum, to be expended by the Police Department, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for new parking meters and for the making of the necessary mechanical changes in the parking meters of the Town, said changes having been voted by the Transportation Board, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Eleanor Myerson, duly seconded, it was



Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate \$50,000, to be expended by the Police Department, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for new parking meters and for the making of the necessary mechanical changes in the parking meters of the Town, said changes having been voted by the Transportation Board.

TWENTY-FIRST ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$163,000, or any other sum, to be expended by the Fire Department, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for a new ladder truck or anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Edward Novakoff, duly seconded, it was unanimously:

Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate \$145,000, to be expended by the Fire Department, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for a new ladder truck.

TWENTY-FIFTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$8,000 or any other sum, to be expended by the Department of Veterans' Services, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters to qualified veterans' organizations in the Town during fiscal year 1977, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Edward Novakoff, duly seconded for the adoption of this article, was defeated.

TWENTY-SIXTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will amend the Zoning By-law by adopting the following amendments thereto or will otherwise amend and adopt said proposed amendments, or act on anything relative thereto.

1. To amend Section 5.09(b) Application of Environmental Impact and Design Review by deleting the phrase "except permanent window signs conforming with all of the provisions of Section 7.3(a)(8)" and substituting therefore the phrase "except signs as regulated in Section 7.3"
2. To add a new paragraph (5) to Section 7.0(a) Signs in All Districts:  
 (5) In cases where an attached sign size larger than permitted in this Article 7 is appropriated because of the size of a natural space for a sign on a facade or because of other architectural features of a building, the Board of Appeals by special permit under Article 9 may authorize a larger attached sign up to but not more than 25% larger than permitted by the specific regulations in this article. No lettering or other advertising message shall be place in the additional sign area authorized by this paragraph. The increase of the Background up to 25% shall not in any event permit an increase in the size of the lettering had the background increase not been permitted.

A two thirds vote being required, the above vote was taken by count, one hundred and twenty-five (125) voted in the affirmative, eighteen (18) in the negative and two (2) abstained, was so declared by the Moderator and is so recorded.

3. To amend Section 7-3(a) Signs in L,G and I Districts by Deleting paragraph (6) and substituting:  
 (6) Temporary signs or advertising devices, other than temporary identification signs regulated in paragraph (7) below, may be attached or lettered temporarily on the interior of a window. Such sign or devices shall not be included in the aggregate sign

area permitted in paragraph (3) above. The aggregate area of all signs in any window, either temporary or permanent, shall not exceed 30% of the area of such window. No temporary sign or advertising device shall remain in a window for more than one month.

4. To amend Section 7.3(a) Signs in L, C and I Districts by deleting paragraph (7) and substituting:  
 (7) One temporary identification sign for a property or use subject to the design review process specified in paragraph (b) below of in Section 5.09 may be permitted by the Building Commissioner to be displayed during the period from submission of an application to the Building Commissioner to thirty days after the decision of the Planning Board of the Board of Appeals if an appeal is taken, provided that the temporary sign conforms with all dimensional regulations of this Bylaw, is in fact a temporary sign not involving any substantial expense, and is displayed in a manner which will not deface the building facade or otherwise impinge upon design review of the proposed sign.
5. To amend Section 7.3(a) Signs in L, G and I Districts by deleting paragraph (8).
6. To amend Section 7.3 Signs in L, G, and I Districts by adding a new subsection (b):

(b) All signs permitted in this, Section 7.3, except temporary signs or advertising devices permitted in paragraph 7.3(a) (6), shall be subject to the following design review process:

(1) The applicant shall submit to the Building Commissioner an application form, plans of the proposed sign, and photographs showing the existing building or site, and such other material as may be required by the Building Commissioner or Planning Board.

(2) Within five working days, the Building Commissioner shall refer the application and accompanying material to the Planning Board.

(3) After its receipt of the application and all required material, the Planning Board shall review the application at its next public meeting for which legal notice can be given and submit its recommendations in writing to the applicant and the Building Commissioner. The recommendations shall be based on the Environmental Impact and Design Standards in Section 5.09 and such sign design guidelines as the Planning Board may adopt.

(4) Upon receipt of the Planning Board's report or the lapse of thirty days from his referral to the Board without such report, the Building Commissioner may issue a permit for a sign which conforms to the Planning Board's recommendations, if any, the regulations in the Zoning By-law and such other technical requirements as are within the Building Commissioner's jurisdiction.

(5) If the applicant or any other interested party does not agree with the recommendations of the Planning Board or any other requirements imposed by the Building Commissioner, he may appeal to the Board of Appeals through the special permit procedure in



## Article 9.

On a motion by Joan Fried, duly seconded, to defer the entire subject matter of this article to the next Town Meeting, regular or special, in which the new zoning enabling act is presented relative to our Zoning Bylaw was defeated.

On a motion by Judah Stone, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted: To amend Section 7.3(a) Signs in L, G and I Districts by deleting paragraph (6) and substituting:

(6) Temporary signs or advertising devices, other than temporary identification signs regulated in paragraph (7) below, may be attached or lettered temporarily on the interior of a window. Such signs or devices shall not be included in the aggregate sign area permitted paragraph (3) above. The aggregate area of all signs in any window, either temporary or permanent shall not exceed 30% of the area of such window. No temporary sign or advertising device shall remain in a window for more than one month.

On a motion by Eleanor Myerson, as amended and duly seconded it was voted:

To amend Section 5.09(b) Application of Environmental Impact and Design Review by deleting the phrase "except permanent window signs conforming with all of the provisions of Section 7.3(a)(8)" and substituting therefor the phrase "except signs as regulated in Section 7.3",

To amend Section 7.3(a) Signs in L, and G and I Districts by deleting paragraph (7) and substituting:

(7) One temporary identification sign for a property or use subject to the design review process specified in paragraph (b) below or in section 5.09 may be permitted by the Building Commissioner to be displayed during the period from submission of an application to the Building Commissioner to thirty days after the decision of the Planning Board or the Board of Appeals if an appeal is taken, provided that the temporary sign conforms with all dimensional regulations of this Bylaw, is in fact a temporary sign not involving any substantial expense, and is displayed in a manner which will not deface the building facade or otherwise impinge upon the design review of the proposed sign.

To amend Section 7.3(a) Signs in L, G, and I Districts by deleting paragraph (8).

To amend Section 7.3 Signs in L, and G and I Districts by adding a new subsection (b):

(b) All signs permitted in this, Section 7.3, except temporary signs or advertising devices permitted in paragraph 7.3(a)(6), shall be subject to the following design review process:

(1) The applicant shall submit to the Building Commissioner an application from, plans of the proposed sign, and photographs showing the existing building or site, and such other material as may be required by the Building Commissioner or Planning Board.

(2) Within five working days, the Building Commissioner shall refer the application and accompanying material to the Planning Board.

(3) After its receipt of the application and all required material, the Planning Board shall review the application at its next public meeting for which legal notice can be given. At least seven days before such meeting, the Planning Board shall mail or de-

liver a notice of the meeting, with a description of such application or a copy thereof, to each elected Town Meeting Member for the precinct in which is located the property and to those Town Meeting Members of a precinct within 200 feet of such property as to which such application has been made. The notice requirements of this section shall be deemed satisfied if such notices are mailed to those individuals whose names appear as Town Meeting Members in the records of the Town Clerk at the addresses as they appear in such records. The Planning Board shall submit its recommendations in writing to the applicant and the Building Commissioner. The recommendations shall be based on the Environmental Impact and Design Standards in Section 5.09 and such sign design guidelines as the Planning Board may adopt.

(4) Upon receipt of the Planning Board's report or the lapse of thirty days from his referral to the Board without such report, the Building Commissioner may issue a permit for a sign which conforms to the Planning Board's recommendations, if any, the regulations in the Zoning By-Law, and such other technical requirements as are within the Building Commissioner's jurisdiction.

(5) If the applicant or any other interested party or any citizen of the Town of Brookline does not agree with the recommendations of the Planning Board or other requirements imposed by the Building Commissioner, he may appeal to the Board of Appeals through the special permit procedures in Article 9.

A two-thirds vote being required, the above vote was taken by count, one hundred and two (102) voted in the affirmative, thirty-four (34) in the negative, and four abstained, was so declared by the Moderator, and is so recorded.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously:

Voted: That the next session of the Recessed Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 27, 1976 at 7:30 P.M. in the High School Auditorium.

At forty-five minutes after eleven o'clock, on a motion duly seconded, it was unanimously :

Voted: To recess the meeting at 11:45 P.M. until Tuesday, April 27, 1976 at half past seven in the evening, at the same place.

At the close of the meeting the checkers at the entrance reported that the names of one hundred and ninety-six (196) Town Meeting Members had been checked as present at the meeting.

Recessed:

John F. Kendrick  
Town Clerk



Recessed Annual Town Meeting  
April 27, 1976

In accordance with the vote passed at the Annual Town Meeting on April 12, 1976, the Town Meeting Members met at the High School Auditorium on Tuesday, April 27, 1976, at half past seven in the evening.

No Town Meeting Member was allowed within the rails until his name had been checked on the list.

At fifty-five minutes after seven o'clock, the checkers reported that one hundred and forty (140) names of Town Meeting Members has been checked, or more than one half of all members qualified, and the Town Clerk reported a quorum was present. Joseph F. Egan replaced John Mulhane as a checker.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Justin L. Wyner.

Carolyn Scalise, a student from Brookline High School, volunteered her services to facilitate the use of the microphone by the Town Meeting Members.

The following resolution presented by Charles Manning, Jr., duly seconded, was unanimously voted:

Whereas, Mary M. Joyce, a life-long resident of the Town of Brookline, has served the Town for thirty-three years as a Town Meeting Member, and

Whereas, the said Mary M. Joyce has also served as a member of the Advisory Committee, Council for Planning and Renewal, and many ad hoc study committees, and

Whereas, by her faithful performance of these duties she had exemplified the highest standard of public service which is recognized by officials and citizens of the Town.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the members of the Board of Selectmen and the members of the Brookline Town Meeting hereby take cognizance of this outstanding record and join her host of friends in extending sincere best wishes for health and happiness in the years ahead.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., under reconsideration of Article 4 it was voted to appropriate \$12,600 -Salary Adjustments Town- Included in Classification and Pay Plan.

TWENTY-SECOND ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to supplement the construction funds for the New Pierce School, first appropriated under Article 1 of the June 1970 Special Town Meeting, to be expended by the Building Commission with approval of the Board of Selectmen, in accordance with the Article XV-A of the Town By-laws, for the correction of accoustical problems, and to determine whether the same shall be raised by taxation, provided by a transfer from available funds, by borrowing or by any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Roger Stern, duly seconded, it was

Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate \$167,000 for the New Pierce School, first appropriated under Article 1 of the June 1970 Special Town Meeting, to be expended by the Building Commission with approval of the Board of Selectmen, in accordance with Article XV-A of the Town By-laws, for the correction of accoustical problems.

It was declared by the Moderator, that one Town Meeting Member was opposed to the above vote.

TWENTY-THIRD ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to supplement the construction funds for the New Pierce School, first appropriated under Article 1 of the June 1970 Special Town Meeting, to be expended by the Building Commission with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, in accordance with Article XV-A of the Town By-laws, for the correction of masonry work, and to determine whether the same shall be raised by taxation, provided by a transfer from available funds, by borrowing or by any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Roger Stern, duly seconded, it was unanimously:

Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate \$85,000 for the New Pierce School, first appropriated under Article 1 of the June 1970 Special Town Meeting, to be expended by the Building Commission, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, in accordance with the Article XV-A of the Town By-laws, for the correction of masonry work.

THIRTY-SIXTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will authorize taking a sum of money voted for the appropriations heretofore, make at this meeting and not voted to be borrowed, from any available funds in the treasury, and will authorize the Assessors to use free cash in the treasury in any available funds to that amount in the determination of the tax rate for the fiscal year July 1, 1976 - June 30, 1977, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Bruce Young, duly seconded, it was

Voted: That the sum of \$750,000 be transferred from the Surplus Revenue for the purpose of reducing the tax rate for the fiscal year July 1, 1976 to June 30, 1977.

THIRTIETH ARTICLE. This petition calls for the insertion of an article in the warrant of the 1976 Annual Town Meeting which would ask the Town to vote to petition and/or approve the filing of a petition to the General Court for special legislation authorizing the Town acting through any of its agencies empowered under Chapter 121B of the Massachusetts General Laws to make loans for the rehabilitation of commercial properties within areas defined by Town Meeting and pursuant to rules and regulations approved by the Board of Selectmen.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded, it was voted: That action under this article be indefinitely postponed.

THIRTY-FIRST ARTICLE. To see if the Town will petition and/or approve the filing of a petition with the General Court authorizing the Town of Brookline to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds at any Annual Town Meeting, a sum of money to be placed in a reserve fund or sinking fund in the control of the Treasurer for the purpose of funding in part or in whole the Town's unfunded pension obligation, and to authorize the Town Treasurer to invest such funds from time to time in interest bearing accounts and securities, and to authorize the Town from time to time to utilize such reserve or sinking funds in connection with the payment of pension obligations as the same become due and payable, or take any other action with respect thereto.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town petition and/or approve the filing with the Great and General Court of Special Legislation for the Town of Brookline substantially in the following form:

That the Town of Brookline be and hereby is authorized to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, at any Annual Town Meeting, sums to be placed in a reserve fund in the control of the Treasurer of the Town for the purpose of funding in part or in whole the Town's unfunded pension obligation, and to authorize said Treasurer to invest such funds as may be appropriated from time to time in interest-bearing accounts and securities, and to authorize the Town from time-to-time, upon vote of an Annual Town Meeting, to utilize such reserve funds, or any portion thereof, in



connection with the payment of the Town's pension and retirement obligations as the same become due and payable.

THIRTY-THIRD ARTICLE. To see if the Town will approve and file a petition with the General Court, an act providing for the inclusion of May twenty-ninth as a legal holiday in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in substantially the following form:

An Act Establishing John Fitzgerald Kennedy's Birthday, May twenty-ninth, as a legal holiday.

Section 1. Clause eighteen of Section 7 of Chapter 4 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by Section 1, of Chapter 493 of the Acts of 1974, is further amended by inserting after the words---"January the fifteenth", ---"May the twenty-ninth".

Section 13. Section 13 of Chapter 136 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by Section 13 of Chapter 493 of the Acts of 1974, is further amended by inserting after the words---"January the fifteenth", the words---"May the twenty-ninth".

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded, it was unanimously voted to indefinitely postpone action under this article.

THIRTY-FOURTH ARTICLE. Resolution:

The proposed revaluation of the Town of Brookline under the present method of assessing will force an even greater burden upon the single-, two-, and three-family home owners and their tenants who presently pay a disproportionate 53.4% of all Brookline's real estate taxes and personal property taxes.

The same single-, two-, and three-family homeowners will rise to 59.4% of the total Town taxes and similarly will be a larger percentage of the total taxes collected from all the family units in the Town.

There is great uncertainty as to the methods and guidelines of valuation to be used in determining this revaluation.

A majority of the cities and towns in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have failed to comply with this directive to reassess.

Now be it resolved that this Town Meeting go on record as supporting the constitutional amendment submitted by Representatives James Segal, and Angelo M. Scaccia, and Senator Joseph F. Timilty, which is numbered House Bill , and which would grant the General Court Authority to classify real estate for taxation at different rates according to its use.

Therefore, be it further resolved that the Board of Selectmen be instructed to express the will of this Town Meeting to the legislature that this amendment be passed forthwith, and that there be no revaluation of the real estate in the Town until House Bill , has been acted upon.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded, it was:

Voted: That the Town adopt the Resolution set forth in Article 34.

TWENTY-NINTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to petition and/or approve the filing of a petition to the General Court for special legislation authorizing the Brookline Redevelopment Authority acting under Chapter 121B of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to make property rehabilitation grants within areas defined by Town Meeting and pursuant to rules and regulations approved by the Board of Selectmen, in substantially the following form, or act on anything relative thereto:

An Act authorizing the Brookline Redevelopment Authority, acting under General Laws, Chapter 121B, to make property rehabilitation grants.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Brookline Redevelopment Authority, for the purpose of rehabilitating and preserving the residential housing stock in the Town of Brookline, and acting under Chapter 121B of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, is hereby authorized to make property rehabilitation grants within areas of the Town as defined by Town Meeting and pursuant to rules and regulations approved by the Board of Selectmen.

On a motion by James Duggan, duly seconded, the following was defeated:

To petition and/or approve the filing of a petition to the General Court in substantially the following form:

An Act authorizing the Brookline Redevelopment Authority acting under General Laws, Chapter 121B, to make property rehabilitation grants.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Brookline Redevelopment Authority for the purpose of rehabilitating and preserving the residential housing stock in the Town of Brookline and acting under Chapter 121B of the General Laws, of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is hereby authorized to make property rehabilitation grants within areas of the Town as defined by Town Meeting and pursuant to rules and regulations approved by the Board of Selectmen.

Section 2. The Brookline Redevelopment Authority, acting in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 121B, Section 50, is hereby authorized to assign the power to make rehabilitation grants as defined in Section 1 of this Act, to the Town of Brookline or any of the agencies which may be designated by the Board of Selectmen.

THIRTY-FIFTH ARTICLE. To hear and act upon the Reports of Town Officers and Committees.

On a motion, duly made and seconded, it was voted: To have the Committee on Town Organization and Structure to study the Brookline Redevelopment Authority and report back to the Fall Special Town Meeting.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was voted: To have the Committee on Street Crime report to the Fall Special Town Meeting.

At three minutes after eleven o'clock on motion it was unanimously:

Voted: That the Annual Town Meeting be dissolved.

At the close of the meeting the checkers reported the names of two hundred and twelve (212) Town Meeting Members had been checked as present at this meeting.

Dissolved:

John F. Kendrick  
Town Clerk





# TOWN OF BROOKLINE

Massachusetts



JOHN F. KENDRICK  
TOWN CLERK  
WILLIAM F. SULLIVAN  
ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

June 8, 1976

Dear Town Meeting Member:

In accordance with the General Laws,  
Chapter 43A, Section 5, you are hereby  
officially notified that the Selectmen  
have set June 30, 1976 for Special Town  
Meeting at 7:30 P.M. at the High School.

Very truly yours,

John F. Kendrick  
Town Clerk

W A R R A N T  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF  
MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, SS

TO ANY CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE,  
GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE  
INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE QUALIFIED TO  
VOTE AT ELECTIONS TO MEET AT THE HIGH SCHOOL  
AUDITORIUM IN SAID TOWN ON

WEDNESDAY, THE THIRTIETH

DAY OF JUNE, 1976

AT SEVEN-THIRTY O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING FOR THE FOLLOWING  
PURPOSES, TO WIT:

FIRST ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO AMEND  
ARTICLE I-B OF THE BYLAWS OF THE TOWN BY ADDING,  
DELETING OR SUBSTITUTING POSITIONS OR CLASSES IN THE  
CLASSIFICATION PLAN, OR WILL OTHERWISE AMEND SAID  
ARTICLE I-B, AND WILL AMEND THE PAY PLAN BY ESTABLISHING,  
DELETING OR SUBSTITUTING MINIMUM, MAXIMUM OF FLAT RATE  
SALARIES FOR ANY POSITION OR CLASS WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN  
ADDED TO, DELETED FROM OR SUBSTITUTED IN THE  
CLASSIFICATION PLAN UNDER THIS ARTICLE, OR BY CHANGING  
ANY OF THE EXISTING SALARIES, OR BY AMENDING THE GENERAL  
PROVISIONS WITH RESPECT TO SICK LEAVE, VACATION LEAVE  
AND THE LIKE; OR OTHERWISE AMEND SAID PAY PLAN, OR ACT  
ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

SECOND ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL RAISE AND  
APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, A  
SUM OR SUMS OF MONEY TO FUND THE COST ITEMS OF THE LABOR  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN AND THE BROOKLINE POLICE  
ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 1975 THROUGH  
JUNE 30, 1976, AND FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 1976 THROUGH  
JUNE 30, 1977, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

THIRD ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL RAISE AND  
APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, A  
SUM OR SUMS OF MONEY TO FUND THE COST ITEMS, EXCEPT  
THOSE THAT MAY BE NEGOTIATED UNDER THE REOPENER PROVISION  
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1976, OF THE LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
THE TOWN AND LOCAL 950, IAFF, FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 1975



THROUGH JUNE 30, 1977, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

FOURTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, A SUM OR SUMS OF MONEY TO FUND THE COST OF THE FY 77 WAGE INCREASE NEGOTIATED UNDER THE TERMS OF THE JULY 1, 1976 REOPENER PROVISION OF THE LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN AND LOCAL 1358, AFSCME, FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 1975 THROUGH JUNE 30, 1977, AND TO FUND THE COST OF FY 77 WAGE INCREASES FOR NON BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES INCLUDED IN THE GENERAL CLASSIFICATIONS AND THE LABOR CLASSIFICATIONS PAY TABLES, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

FIFTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, A SUM OR SUMS OF MONEY, TO FUND THE COST OF FY 77 WAGE INCREASES FOR EMPLOYEES WHO ARE NOT IN A BARGAINING UNIT, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

SIXTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, OR APPROPRIATE FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS, A SUM OR SUMS OF MONEY TO FUND THE FY 1977 COST ITEMS IN ANYONE OR MORE OF THE LABOR AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE TOWN AND:

- A. LOCAL 950, INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS, AFL-CIO;
- B. BROOKLINE BRANCH, MASSACHUSETTS POLICE ASSOCIATION;
- C. STAFF ASSOCIATION OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF BROOKLINE.
- D. RECREATION EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION;

FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 1976 THROUGH JUNE 30, 1977, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

SEVENTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO DELEGATE TO THE SELECTMEN ALL OF THE POWERS AND RIGHTS WHICH ARE NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE PROJECT SET FORTH IN THE VOTE OF THE TOWN UNDER ARTICLE 3, IN THE WARRANT FOR THE NOVEMBER 13, 1975 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, AND AUTHORIZE THE SELECTMEN TO FILE THE FOLLOWING PETITION TO THE GENERAL COURT FOR SPECIAL LEGISLATION, SUCH ACT TO BE IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO CONDUCT URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES THROUGH ITS BOARD OF SELECTMEN, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO CONDUCT URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES THROUGH ITS BOARD OF SELECTMEN.

BE IT ENACTED, ETC., AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. WHEREAS, THERE EXISTS IN THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE SUBSTANDARD DWELLING HOUSES AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES IN URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT AREAS WHICH CONSTITUTE A SERIOUS AND GROWING MENACE AND CREATE A HOUSING SHORTAGE AND GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITION INJURIOUS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, MORALS AND WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN, AND THE DECLARATIONS MADE IN G.L. c. 121B, WITH RESPECT TO SUCH AREAS ARE HEREBY REAFFIRMED; WHEREAS, WHILE A FEW OF SUCH DWELLING HOUSES AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES MAY REQUIRE ACQUISITION AND CLEARANCE AS PROVIDED IN G.L. c. 121B, BECAUSE THEIR STATE OF DETERIORATION MAY MAKE IMPRACTICABLE THEIR RECLAMATION BY CONSERVATION OR REHABILITATION, MOST IN SUCH AREAS ARE IN SUCH CONDITION THAT THEY MAY, THROUGH THE MEANS PROVIDED IN G.L. c. 121B BE CONSERVED OR REHABILITATED IN SUCH A MANNER THAT THE CONDITIONS AND EVILS HEREINBEFORE ENUMERATED MAY BE ALLEVIATED OR ELIMINATED SO THAT SUCH DWELLING HOUSES AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES MAY BE RETURNED TO OR REMAIN IN PRIVATE OWNERSHIP AND BE AVAILABLE AS DECENT, SAFE AND SANITARY HOUSING AND COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS; AND WHEREAS, ALL POWERS CONFERRED BY SAID G.L. c. 121B ARE FOR PUBLIC USES AND PURPOSES FOR WHICH PUBLIC MONEY MAY BE EXPENDED; NOW, THEREFORE, THIS ACT EMPOWERS THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE, ACTING THROUGH ITS BOARD OF SELECTMEN, WHEN AUTHORIZED BY A TOWN MEETING, TO CONDUCT ONGOING AND FUTURE URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES, AS DEFINED IN G.L. c. 121B, AS AMENDED. THE EXISTING URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS KNOWN OR DESIGNATED AS "THE FARM" AND "THE MARSH" PROJECTS ARE EXCLUDED FROM THE AUTHORIZATION SET FORTH HEREIN.

SECTION 2. THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, WHEN AUTHORIZED BY A TOWN MEETING TO CONDUCT URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES, IN DESIGNATED AREAS APPROVED BY A TOWN MEETING, SHALL, IN ADDITION TO ITS EXISTING POWERS AND AUTHORITY, ALSO HAVE ALL OF THE POWERS AND AUTHORITY GIVEN OPERATING AGENCIES, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, AN URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY, IN G.L. c. 121B. THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, WHEN AUTHORIZED BY A TOWN MEETING, MAY MAKE REHABILITATION LOANS AND GRANTS, FOR BOTH RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY, WITHIN A DESIGNATED URBAN RENEWAL AREA.

SECTION 3. THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE MAY INCUR DEBT, OUTSIDE THE LIMIT OF INDEBTEDNESS PRESCRIBED IN G.L., c. 44 s 10, FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING REHABILITATION LOANS AND GRANTS FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY



IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES SET FORTH IN SECTION 1, SUCH DEBT SHALL BE PAYABLE IN OR WITHIN 20 YEARS.

SECTION 4. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT ARE HEREBY DECLARED TO BE SEVERABLE AND IF ANY SUCH PROVISION OR APPLICATION OF SUCH PROVISION TO ANY PERSON OR CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL BE HELD TO BE INVALID OR UNCONSTITUTIONAL, SUCH HOLDING SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO AFFECT THE VALIDITY OR CONSTITUTIONALITY OF ANY OF THE REMAINING PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT OR THE APPLICATION OF SUCH PROVISIONS TO PERSONS OR CIRCUMSTANCES OTHER THEN THOSE AS TO WHICH IT IS HELD INVALID. IT IS HEREBY DECLARED TO BE THE LEGISLATIVE INTENT THAT THIS ACT WOULD HAVE BEEN ADOPTED HAD SUCH INVALID OR UNCONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS NOT BEEN INCLUDED THEREIN.

SECTION 5. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON ITS PASSAGE.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, AND MAKE DUE RETURN OF THIS WARRANT, WITH YOUR DOINGS THEREON, TO THE SELECTMEN SEVEN DAYS AT LEAST BEFORE THE DAY OF SAID MEETING.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT BROOKLINE AFORESAID, THIS FOURTEENTH DAY OF JUNE, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIX.

ROBERT C. COCHRANE, JR.

ELEANOR HYERSON

EDWARD NOVAKOFF

JUDAH H. STONE

STEPHEN B. GOLDBERG

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

## OFFICER'S RETURN

NORFOLK, SS.

BROOKLINE, JUNE 18, 1976

BY VIRTUE OF THIS WARRANT, I THIS DAY NOTIFIED AND WARNED THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO MEET AT THE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM IN SAID TOWN AT 7:30 P.M., WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30, 1976, BY POSTING TRUE AND ATTESTED COPIES OF THE WITHIN WARRANT IN TWENTY PUBLIC PLACES AND BY CAUSING IT TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE BROOKLINE CHRONICLE-CITIZEN, ISSUE OF JUNE 17, 1976, AN ATTESTED COPY OF THE WITHIN WARRANT. ALL OF WHICH WAS DONE AT LEAST SEVEN DAYS BEFORE SAID MEETING.

JOHN F. McELROY (s)  
CONSTABLE



Special Town Meeting  
June 30, 1976

Pursuant to the Warrant of the Selectmen, served according to law upon the inhabitants of the Town of Brookline by a Constable of said Town, and written notices sent by the Town Clerk at least seven days before the day of the meeting to the Town Meeting Members qualified to act in Town Meetings in Brookline under the provisions of Chapter 43A of the General Laws, as amended, accepted by the Town of Brookline March 10, 1942, the Town Meeting Members, so qualified, met at the High School Auditorium in said Town on Wednesday, the thirtieth day of June, 1976 at half past seven in the evening.

Lists of duly qualified Town Meeting Members were used at the entrances to the meeting place and were in charge of Joseph Egan, Vinson T. Rasta, Edward Kelly, John Mulhane, and Paul Egan, checkers, who were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties by the Town Clerk. The list contained the names of two hundred and fifty (250) Town Meeting Members qualified to participate in and vote in Town Meetings in Brookline.

No Town Meeting Member was allowed within the rails until his name had been checked on the list.

At fifty-two minutes past seven o'clock the checkers reported that one hundred and thirty-two (132) names of Town Meeting Members had been checked or more than one half of all Town Meeting Members qualified, and the Town Clerk reported a quorum was present.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Justin L. Wyner.

The Moderator appointed the following members as Tellers: Julian Edelman, Maurice Davis, Marion E. Dubbs, J. Robert Morse, Ruth Dorfman, and John Doherty. They were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties by the Town Clerk.

SECOND ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum or sums of money to fund the cost items of the Labor Agreement between the Town and the Brookline Police Association for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1976, and for the period July 1, 1976 through June 30, 1977, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane Jr., duly seconded it was, by a majority

Voted: To appropriate and transfer from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$232,600 to be expended in FY 76 for salary increases (\$203,900), vacation overtime (\$7,500), night differential (\$20,600) and career incentive payments (\$600) in accordance with the Labor Agreement between the Town and the Brookline Police Association for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1976.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., duly seconded it was, by a majority

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$24,500 to be expended in FY 77 for vacation overtime (\$17,500), career incentive payments (\$2,000) and for salaries (\$5,000) in accordance with the Labor Agreement between the Town and the Brookline Police Association for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1976.

THIRD ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum or sums of money to fund the cost items, except those that may be negotiated under the reopener provision effective July 1, 1976, of the Labor Agreement between the Town and Local 950, IAFF, for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1977, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Stephen C. Ford, duly seconded, it was by a majority,

Voted: To appropriate and transfer from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$295,000 to be expended in FY 76 for salary increases (\$279,000) and for payments for work out of classification (\$16,000) in accordance with the Labor Agreement between the Town and Local 950, IAFF, for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1977.

On a motion by Eleanor Myerson, duly seconded it was, by a majority,

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$59,105 to be expended in FY 77 for vacation overtime (\$10,500), payments for work out of classification (\$16,000), for salaries (\$25,000) and for uniforms (\$7,605) in accordance with the Labor Agreement between the Town and Local 950, IAFF, for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1977.

FOURTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum or sums of money to fund the cost of the FY 77 wage increases negotiated under the terms of the July 1, 1976 reopener provision of the Labor Agreement between the Town and Local 1358, AFSCME, for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1977, and to fund the cost of FY 77 wage increases for non bargaining unit employees included in the General Classifications and the Labor Classifications Pay tables, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Edward Novakoff, duly seconded, it was by a majority,

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$310,000 to be expended in FY 77 for wage increases for employees in the Local 1358, AFSCME bargaining unit in accordance with the terms of the July 1, 1976 reopener provision of the Labor Agreement between the Town and Local 1358, AFSCME, for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1977, and for non bargaining unit employees in the General Classifications and Labor Classifications pay tables.

Robert Stein requested that the record indicate a substantial number of Town Meeting Members voted in the minority.

FIFTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum or sums of money, to fund the cost of FY 77 wage increases for employees who are not in a bargaining unit, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Judah Stone, duly seconded, it was, by a majority,

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000 to be expended in FY 77 for salary increases for non bargaining unit employees who are not in the General or Labor Classifications pay tables.

SIXTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum or sums of money to fund the FY 1977 cost items in any one or more of the Labor Agreements between the Town and:

- A. Local 950, International Association of Firefighters, AFL-CIO;
- B. Brookline Branch, Massachusetts Police Association;
- C. Staff Association of the Public Library of Brookline;
- D. Recreation Employees Association;

for the period July 1, 1976 through June 30, 1977, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Stephen Goldenberg, duly seconded, it was, by a majority,

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,000 to be expended in FY 77 for salary increases in accordance with the labor agreement between the Town and the Staff Association of the Public Library of Brookline for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1977.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., duly seconded it was, by a majority,

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$142,000 to be expended in FY 77 for salary increases in accordance with the labor agreement between the Town and the Brookline Police Association for the period July 1, 1976 through June 30, 1977.

On a motion by Stephen Ford, duly seconded it was, by a majority,

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,500 to be expended in FY 77 for salary increases in accordance with the labor agreement between the Town and the Recreation Employees Association for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1977.

FIRST ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article I-B of the By-laws of the Town by adding, deleting or substituting positions or classes in the Classification Plan, or will otherwise amend said Article I-B, and will amend the Pay Plan by establishing, deleting or substituting minimum, maximum or flat rate salaries for any position or class which may have been added to, deleted from or substituted in the Classification Plan under this Article, or by changing any of the existing salaries,



or by amending the general provisions with respect to sick leave, vacation leave and the like; or otherwise amend said Pay Plan, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., duly seconded, it was, unanimously,

1.-Voted: To amend the Police Classifications pay table of the Classification and Pay Plans for the period July 1, 1975 - June 30, 1976 as follows:

1. By deleting the Grade P-1 - Parking Control Officer and by adding the classification of Parking Control Officer to pay grade G-5 of the General Classifications pay table.
2. By numbering the remaining pay grades of the Police Classifications pay table from P-1 through P-4 consecutively.
3. By increasing the maximum salary for Police Officer by 8% and by establishing a new minimum for Police Officer 15% below the new maximum.
4. By increasing the maximum for Police Sergeant to 17% above the new maximum for Police Officer; by increasing the maximum for Police Lieutenant to 17% above the new maximum for Police Sergeant; and by increasing the maximum for Police Captain to 19% above the new Maximum for Police Lieutenant.
5. By deleting Note 3 and by substituting therefore the following:

Note: The maximum rate of pay for the Parks Police Officer classification is \$258.25 per week.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., duly seconded, it was, by a majority, Items 2-6.

2.-Voted: To amend the Fire Classifications pay table of the Classification and Pay Plans for the period July 1, 1975 - June 30, 1976 as follows:

1. By deleting the Grade F-3 - Firefighter-Code Enforcement Inspector and by renumbering the remaining higher pay grades consecutively.
2. By increasing the maximum salary for Firefighter and Fire Alarm Operator by 3% and by establishing a new minimum 15% below the new maximum.
3. By increasing the maximum for Fire Lieutenant to 17% above the new maximum for Firefighter; by increasing the maximum for Fire Captain to 17% above the new maximum for Fire Lieutenant; by increasing the maximum for Deputy Fire Chief to 19% above the new maximum for Fire Captain.
4. By deleting Note 1 and by substituting therefore the following:

Note: 1. Firefighters, Fire Lieutenants and Fire Captains assigned to work in the next higher classification will receive the full rate of the higher classification from the first day provided that such service is for not less than a full day.

3.-Voted: To amend the Engineering Classifications pay table for the period July 1, 1976 - June 30, 1977 as follows:

1. By increasing the maximum salaries by 4.8% above the rates effective July 7, 1975.
2. By establishing new salary minimums four equal steps below the new maximums for each grade as provided in the Classification and Pay Plans.

4.-Voted: To amend the General Classifications pay table for the period July 1, 1976 - June 30, 1977 as follows:

1. By increasing the maximum salaries by 5.0% above the rates effective July 7, 1975.
2. By establishing new salary minimums four equal steps below the new maximums for each grade as provided in the Classification and Pay Plans.

5.-Voted: To amend the Labor Classifications pay table for the period July 1, 1977 as follows:

1. By increasing the flat salaries by 5.0% above the rates effective July 7, 1975.

6.-Voted: To amend the Step Rate Increases Provisions of the Miscellaneous Regulations Affecting Salaries by deleting the first paragraph thereof and by substituting therefore the following:

Step rate increases between the minimum and maximum base salaries shall be by four equal steps, unless otherwise designated in the Pay Plan, and except in the cases of employees in Grade F-1, Firefighters and Fire Alarm Operator and employees in Grade P-1, Police Officer, which minimum shall be established three equal steps totalling 15% below the pay maximum, effective April 1 or July 1 of each year in accordance with current collective bargaining agreements and payable to employees who were permanently or provisionally employed on December 1 of the previous year.

On a motion by Stephen Ford, duly seconded, items 7,8,9, and 10, by a majority,

7.-Voted: To amend the Miscellaneous Regulations Affecting Salaries by deleting the Section entitled Police Department Career Incentive Pay and by substituting the following therefore:

Police Officers employed by the Town of Brookline on or before April 1, 1973 and who do not receive educational incentive pay shall be paid career incentive pay for services as of July 1 as follows: For 10 to 15 years of continuous service- \$300 per year; for 15 to 20 years of continuous service- \$400 per year; for 20 or more years of continuous service- \$500 per year.

8.-Voted: To amend the Night Differential- Certain Classifications provisions of the Miscellaneous Regulations Affecting Salaries by deleting the second paragraph thereof and by substituting the following therefore:

A night differential of \$10.00 per week shall be payable to all police officers who are regularly assigned to night shifts. Such differential is not to be included in the computation of any overtime payments.

9.-Voted: To amend the Uniform Allowance provisions of the General Provisions of the Pay Plan by deleting the second paragraph thereof and by substituting the following therefore:

Annually thereafter, an allowance for expenditure on uniforms shall be extended to the members of the Police Force at the rate of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per annum plus fifty dollars (\$50.00) per annum for each regularly assigned motorcycle officer and to the members of the Fire Force at the rate of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) per annum. Appropriations for uniforms shall be under the control of the Chief of Police with respect to members of the Police Force, and of the Fire Chief, subject to the approval of the Fire Commissioners, with respect to members of the Fire Force.



All expenditures shall be made by these respective officers in connection with which appropriate records are to be kept. No member of either department shall have a claim to funds provided under this section unless he or she needs uniform items and the amount provided is to be spent to purchase such items.

10.-Voted: To amend the Classification and Pay Plans effective July 1, 1976 by adding the following Recreation Classifications pay table and by deleting the Classifications included therein from the General Classifications or Labor Classifications pay tables as appropriate:

RECREATION CLASSIFICATIONS  
(Effective July 7, 1975 to July 1, 1976)

Grade	Min.	Max.	Step-up
R-1	-	\$187.90	(flat)
Locker Attendant			
R-2	-	\$196.55	(flat)
Life Guard Swimming Pool Attendant			
R-3	\$196.25	\$205.25	\$2.25
Assistant Recreation Leader			
R-4	\$236.50	\$248.50	\$3.00
Recreation Leader (General) Swimming Pool Maintenance Supervisor			
R-5	\$242.70	\$254.70	\$3.00
Supervisor of Recreational Athletes (Swimming)			
R-6	\$268.05	\$280.05	\$3.00
Recreation Supervisor (General)			
R-7	\$283.50	\$295.50	\$3.00
Swimming Pool Manager			
R-8	\$331.15	\$346.15	\$3.75
Assistant Superintendent of Recreation			

On a motion by Stephen Ford, duly seconded, it was, by a majority,  
Voted: To amend the Ungraded Classifications pay schedule by increasing the flat rates of the following classifications by 4.5% above the rates effective July 7, 1975:

Police Matron (P.T.)  
School Traffic Supervisor

Note: The salary of the Parks Police Officer classification was increased by 8% for the period July 1, 1975 - June 30, 1976 by a prior vote.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., duly seconded the subject matter under item 12 was defeated.

SEVENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to delegate to the selectmen all of the powers and rights which are necessary to accomplish the project set forth in the vote of the Town under Article 8 in the Warrant for the November 18, 1975 Special Town Meeting, and authorize the Selectmen to file the following petition to the General Court for special legislation, such act to be in substantially the following form, authorizing the Town of Brookline to conduct urban renewal projects and activities through its Board of Selectmen, or act on anything relative thereto.

An act authorizing the Town of Brookline to Conduct urban renewal projects and activities through its Board of Selectmen.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1 Whereas, there exists in the Town of Brookline substandard dwelling houses and commercial properties in urban renewal project areas which constitute a serious and growing menace and create a housing shortage and general environmental condition injurious to the public health, safety, morals and welfare of the residents of the Town, and the declarations made in G.L.C. 121B with respect to such areas are hereby reaffirmed; whereas, while a few of such dwelling houses and commercial properties may require acquisition and clearance as provided in G.L.C. 121B, because their state of deterioration may make impracticable their reclamation by conservation or rehabilitation, most in such areas are in such condition that they may, through the means provided in G.L.C. 121B be conserved or rehabilitated in such a manner that the conditions and evils hereinbefore enumerated may be alleviated or eliminated so that such dwelling houses and commercial properties may be returned to or remain in private ownership and be available as decent, safe and sanitary housing and commercial buildings; whereas, all powers conferred by said G.L.C. 121B are for public uses and purposes for which public money may be expended; now, therefore, this act empowers the Town of Brookline, acting through its Board of Selectmen, when authorized by a Town Meeting, to conduct ongoing and future renewal projects and activities, as defined in G.L.C. 121B, as amended. The existing urban renewal projects known or designated as "The Farm" and "The Marsh" projects are excluded from the authorization set forth herein.

Section 2. The Board of Selectmen, when authorized by a Town Meeting to conduct urban renewal projects and activities, in designated areas approved by a Town Meeting, shall, in addition to its existing powers and authority, also have all of the powers and authority given operating agencies, including, without limitation, an urban renewal agency, in G.L.C. 121B. The Board of Selectmen, when authorized by a Town Meeting may make rehabilitation loans and grants, for both residential and commercial property, within a designated area.



Section 3. The Town of Brookline may incur debt, outside the limit of indebtedness prescribed in G.L. c. 44, Section 10, for the purpose of making rehabilitation loans and grants for residential and commercial property in order to carry out the purposes and objectives set forth in Section 1. Such debt shall be payable in or within 20 years.

Section 4. The provisions of this act are hereby declared to be severable and if any such provision or application of such provision to any person or circumstances shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such holding shall not be construed to affect the validity or constitutionality of any of the remaining provisions of this act or the application of such provisions to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this act would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provisions not been included therein.

Section 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., as amended by Roy Brown, duly seconded, it was, by a majority,

Voted: To delegate to the Selectmen all of the powers and rights which are necessary to accomplish the project set forth in the vote of the Town under Article 8 in the Warrant for the November 18, 1975 Special Town Meeting. Such powers and rights are not intended by this vote to be effective outside the urban renewal project area.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., duly seconded and as amended the vote under item 2 was defeated.

At eleven thirty-seven, on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously:

Voted: That this Special Town Meeting be now dissolved.

At the close of the meeting the checkers reported that the names of one hundred and ninety-eight (198) Town Meeting Members had been checked as present at this meeting.

Dissolved:

John F. Kendrick  
Town Clerk

W A R R A N T  
FOR STATE PRIMARY  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF  
MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, SS

TO ANY CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE,  
GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE  
INHABITANTS OF SAID TOWN WHO ARE QUALIFIED TO VOTE  
IN THE PRIMARIES, TO MEET IN THE POLLING PLACES  
DESIGNATED FOR THE SEVERAL PRECINCTS IN SAID TOWN  
ON

TUESDAY, THE FOURTEENTH

DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1976

AT SEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON, FOR THE FOLLOWING  
PURPOSES:

SENATOR IN CONGRESS FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH  
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS FOR FOURTH  
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT COUNCILLOR FOR  
THIRD COUNCILLOR DISTRICT.  
SENATOR FOR THIRD MIDDLESEX AND NORFOLK  
SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
THREE REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT  
FOR THE 20TH NORFOLK, 21ST NORFOLK AND  
25TH SUFFOLK REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT  
CLERK OF COURTS FOR NORFOLK COUNTY  
REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR NORFOLK COUNTY  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER (2) FOR NORFOLK COUNTY  
A DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR NORFOLK COUNTY

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

HEREOF FAIL NOT AND MAKE DUE RETURN OF THIS WARRANT  
WITH YOUR DOINGS THEREON, TO THE SELECTMEN, SEVEN  
DAYS AT LEAST BEFORE THE DAY OF SAID MEETING.



GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT BROOKLINE AFORESAID,  
THIS 23<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF AUGUST IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIX.

ELEANOR MYERSON  
EDWARD NOVAKOFF  
JUDAH M. STONE  
STEPHEN B. GOLDENBERG  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

## OFFICER'S RETURN

NORFOLK, SS.

BROOKLINE, AUGUST 30, 1976

BY VIRTUE OF THIS WARRANT, I THIS DAY NOTIFIED AND WARNED THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE AS WITHIN DESCRIBED, BY POSTING TRUE COPIES OF THIS WARRANT IN TWENTY PUBLIC PLACES. I ALSO HAD A TRUE COPY OF THIS WARRANT PUBLISHED IN THE BROOKLINE CHRONICLE-CITIZEN, ISSUE OF AUGUST 26, 1976. ALL OF WHICH WAS DONE AT LEAST SEVEN DAYS BEFORE SAID MEETING.

JAMES ESPOSITO (s)  
CONSTABLE



# Town of Brookline

## Democratic State Primary, September 14, 1976

Sheet 1 of 2.

	Senator in Congress				Congressman		Councillor		Senator		Representative			
	Kennedy	Dinsmore	Langone	Shannon	BLANKS	Drinan	BLANKS	Connolly	Backman	BLANKS	Segel	Weinberg	Businger	BLANKS
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" 8.	379	027	018	004		333		163	317				268	
" 9.	450	038	022	002		406		187	378			316		
" 10.	330	023	014	000		308		157	268		263			
" 11.	321	033	013	001		306		137	267			221		
" 12.	314	037	012	002		293		139	254		231			
" 13.	329	037	014	001		303		161	263		260			
" 14.	204	063	030	002		208		145	175		187			
" 15.	271	046	013	000		251		160	211		214			
" 16.	303	091	021	002		345		222	300		313			
TOTALS	5070	739	266	030		4652		2589	4113		1738	537	1596	

# Town of Brookline

Democratic State Primary, September 14, 1976

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	Clerk of Courts		Register of Deeds		County Commissioner					District Attorney	
	Concannon	BLANKS	Hannon	BLANKS	Collins	McDonald	Boray	Harrington	BLANKS	DeLahunt	BLANKS
PRECINCT 1.	102		101		076	042	035	094		132	
" 2.	139		148		090	053	069	090		130	
" 3.	141		144		113	076	079	067		182	
" 4.	170		154		104	066	075	164		211	
" 5.	208		192		120	074	131	150		260	
" 6.	178		171		134	063	066	113		213	
" 7.	176		175		119	074	080	136		215	
" 8.	168		174		104	080	081	120		204	
" 9.	210		208		111	064	096	198		254	
" 10.	179		176		114	071	070	083		204	
" 11.	145		143		099	065	063	076		169	
" 12.	139		138		082	053	069	111		171	
" 13.	155		155		103	057	079	118		207	
" 14.	157		152		102	067	072	077		160	
" 15.	154		145		127	076	064	064		178	
" 16.	237		224		167	089	099	114		268	
TOTALS	2638		2580		1770	1080	1228	1775		3208	



# Town of Brookline

## Republican State Primary, September 14, 1976

PRECINCT	Senator in Congress		Congressman		Councillor	Senator		Representative	Clerk of Courts	Register of Deeds	County Commissioner	District Attorney
	Robertson	BLANKS	Mason	BLANKS		Spencer	BLANKS					
1.	047		053			046						
" 2.	055		060			059						
" 3.	043		049			049						
" 4.	034		040			038						
" 5.	040		044			008						
" 6.	031		035			034						
" 7.	055		064			056						
" 8.	034		043			039						
" 9.	039		046			046						
" 10.	040		046			048						
" 11.	031		040			039						
" 12.	028		034			028						
" 13.	046		051			054						
" 14.	059		061			059						
" 15.	078		090			086						
" 16.	090		072			063						
TOTALS	720		828			752						





W A R R A N T  
FOR STATE ELECTION  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF  
MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, SS

TO ANY CONSTABLE IN THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE, GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE INHABITANTS OF SAID TOWN WHO ARE QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS, TO MEET IN THE POLLING PLACES DESIGNATED FOR THE SEVERAL PRECINCTS IN SAID TOWN, ON TUESDAY, THE SECOND DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1976, IT BEING THE FIRST TUESDAY AFTER THE FIRST MONDAY IN THE SAID MONTH, AT SEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

TO GIVE IN THEIR VOTES FOR THE FOLLOWING NATIONAL, STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS, TO WIT:

PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT.....	OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
SENATOR IN CONGRESS.....	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
CONGRESSMAN.....	FOR FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
COUNCILLOR.....	FOR THIRD COUNCILLOR DISTRICT
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT.....	FOR THIRD MIDDLESEX & NORFOLK SENATORIAL DISTRICT
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.....	FOR TWENTIETH NORFOLK REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.....	FOR TWENTY-FIRST NORFOLK REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.....	FOR TWENTY-FIFTH SUFFOLK REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT
CLERK OF COURTS.....	FOR NORFOLK COUNTY
REGISTER OF DEEDS.....	FOR NORFOLK DISTRICT
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (2).....	FOR NORFOLK COUNTY
DISTRICT ATTORNEY.....	FOR NORFOLK COUNTY DISTRICT

ALSO FOR THE PURPOSE OF GIVING IN THEIR VOTES "YES" OR "NO" ON THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

QUESTION NO. 1

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

DO YOU APPROVE OF THE ADOPTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION SUMMARIZED BELOW, WHICH WAS APPROVED BY THE GENERAL COURT IN JOINT SESSIONS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE ON AUGUST 15, 1973, BY A VOTE OF 261-0, AND ON MAY 14, 1975, BY A VOTE OF 217-55?

YES ☐

NO ☐

## SUMMARY

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WOULD PROVIDE THAT EQUALITY UNDER THE LAW MAY NOT BE DENIED OR ABRIDGED ON THE BASIS OF SEX, RACE, COLOR, CREED OR NATIONAL ORIGIN. THIS AMENDMENT ADDS ONE SENTENCE TO ARTICLE I OF PART THE FIRST OF THE CONSTITUTION WHICH NOW CONTAINS A GENERAL STATEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO ENJOY AND DEFEND LIFE AND LIBERTY AND THE RIGHT TO ACQUIRE AND PROTECT PROPERTY.

## QUESTION NO. 2

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

DO YOU APPROVE OF THE ADOPTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION SUMMARIZED BELOW, WHICH WAS APPROVED BY THE GENERAL COURT IN JOINT SESSIONS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE ON  
 AUGUST 15, 1973, BY A VOTE OF 199-66,  
 AND ON MAY 7, 1975, BY A VOTE OF 228-41?

YES

NO

## SUMMARY

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WOULD AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATURE TO SUBSTITUTE FOR THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF FLAT OR UNIFORM PERSONAL INCOME TAX RATES A SYSTEM OF RATES GRADUATED ACCORDING TO THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF INCOME RECEIVED. THE LEGISLATURE WOULD ALSO BE AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE FOR REASONABLE EXEMPTIONS, DEDUCTIONS, CREDITS, AND ABATEMENTS AND COULD BASE MASSACHUSETTS INCOME TAX PROVISIONS ON PROVISIONS OF FEDERAL INCOME TAX LAW.

## QUESTION NO. 3

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

DO YOU APPROVE OF THE ADOPTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION SUMMARIZED BELOW, WHICH WAS APPROVED BY THE GENERAL COURT IN JOINT SESSIONS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE ON  
 AUGUST 15, 1973, BY A VOTE OF 259-0,  
 AND ON MAY 12, 1976, BY A VOTE OF 202-1?

YES

NO

## SUMMARY

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WOULD AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATURE TO PROVIDE FOR ABSENTEE VOTING BY PERSONS WHO HOLD RELIGIOUS BELIEFS IN CONFLICT WITH THE ACT OF VOTING ON THE DAY ON WHICH ANY ELECTION IS TO BE HELD.



## QUESTION NO. 4

### LAW PROPOSED BY AN INITIATIVE PETITION

DO YOU APPROVE OF A LAW SUMMARIZED BELOW, WHICH WAS  
DISAPPROVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON MAY 5, 1975,  
BY A VOTE OF 179-40, AND ON WHICH  
NO VOTE WAS TAKEN BY THE SENATE  
BEFORE MAY 7, 1975?

YES

NO

### SUMMARY

SECTION 1 OF THE ACT INSERTS A NEW CHAPTER 164B INTO THE GENERAL LAWS AND ESTABLISHES A MASSACHUSETTS POWER AUTHORITY, A BODY CORPORATE AND POLITIC WITH SEVEN MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR TO STAGGERED SIX YEAR TERMS. THE AUTHORITY IS TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATE A BULK POWER SUPPLY SYSTEM TO SUPPLY WHOLESALE ELECTRIC POWER TO UTILITIES THROUGHOUT THE COMMONWEALTH. THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE AUTHORITY IS TO SUPPLY THE COMMONWEALTH WITH POWER WITH THE MINIMUM ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT. THE AUTHORITY IS ALSO AUTHORIZED TO ENGAGE IN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF NEW SOURCES OF POWER, NEW SITING TECHNIQUES, AND METHODS OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

IN CARRYING OUT ITS RESPONSIBILITIES THE AUTHORITY IS AUTHORIZED TO ADOPT BY-LAWS; ADOPT AN OFFICIAL SEAL; MAINTAIN OFFICES; SUE AND BE SUED; CONSTRUCT OR ACQUIRE FACILITIES EITHER WITHIN OR WITHOUT THE COMMONWEALTH; ISSUE REVENUE BONDS AND BORROW MONEY IN ANTICIPATION OF ISSUANCE OF REVENUE BONDS; ACQUIRE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY; EMPLOY PROFESSIONAL, MANAGERIAL AND OTHER EMPLOYEES DEEMED NECESSARY AND FIX THEIR COMPENSATION TO BE PAID SOLELY OUT OF REVENUES OF THE AUTHORITY; APPEAR BEFORE OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES; APPLY FOR AND RECEIVE FEDERAL OR OTHER GRANTS OF FUNDS; AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS.

THE AUTHORITY WILL BUILD AND OPERATE ALL NEW GENERATING AND TRANSMISSION FACILITIES IN THE COMMONWEALTH AND HAS THE OPTION TO PURCHASE EXISTING FACILITIES THROUGH NEGOTIATION, CONDEMNATION, OR EMINENT DOMAIN. AFTER AN INITIAL TWO-YEAR PERIOD, NO OTHER UTILITY MAY CONSTRUCT A NEW FACILITY UNLESS THE AUTHORITY CERTIFIES THAT IT LACKS THE CAPABILITY TO FINANCE THE FACILITY AND THE FACILITY WOULD FURTHER THE PURPOSES OF THE ACT.

THE AUTHORITY WILL FINANCE ITS ACTIVITIES BY ISSUING REVENUE BONDS. THE BONDS WILL BE EXEMPT FROM STATE TAXATION, BUT WILL NOT BE BACKED BY THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE COMMONWEALTH. POWER WILL BE SOLD TO OTHER UTILITIES BY CONTRACT BUT NO SPECIAL DISCOUNTS OR BONUSES TO PROMOTE THE INCREASED USE OF POWER MAY BE GIVEN. PUBLIC HEARINGS ARE REQUIRED ON ALL MAJOR CONTRACTS.

THE AUTHORITY IS REQUIRED TO DEVELOP A MASTER, 20-YEAR DEMAND STUDY AND SITING PLAN WITHIN 18 MONTHS OF ITS INCORPORATION, TO BE UPDATED EACH SUCCEEDING YEAR. SITES WILL BE SELECTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ELECTRIC POWER FACILITIES SITING COUNCIL ACT OF 1975. THE GOVERNOR AND THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH ANY FACILITY IS TO BE LOCATED MUST AFFIRMATIVELY APPROVE THE FACILITY BEFORE IT CAN BE CONSTRUCTED.

THE AUTHORITY WILL BE SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL AND STATE ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS AND MUST OBTAIN ALL NECESSARY FEDERAL AND STATE PERMITS AND COMPLETE ALL NECESSARY ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS.

THE AUTHORITY WILL BE EXEMPT FROM TAXATION BUT WILL MAKE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES TO CITIES AND TOWNS IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE TAX WHICH WOULD BE PAID IF THE AUTHORITY'S REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY WERE OWNED BY A PRIVATE ELECTRIC UTILITY COMPANY.

THE AUTHORITY IS FORBIDDEN FROM ENGAGING IN PROMOTIONAL OR IMAGE ADVERTISING. THE AUTHORITY HAS THE AUTHORITY TO BARGAIN COLLECTIVELY WITH ITS EMPLOYEES AND IS SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 150 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, WHICH GOVERNS THE CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION OF INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES. EMPLOYEES OF THE AUTHORITY ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE CIVIL SERVICE LAW AND RULES. EMPLOYEES OF UTILITIES DISPLACED BY THE ACTIVITIES OF THE AUTHORITY HAVE FIRST PREFERENCE IN EMPLOYMENT BY THE AUTHORITY.

SECTION 2 OF THE ACT AMENDS SECTION 43 OF CHAPTER 164 OF THE GENERAL LAWS TO PROVIDE THAT IF A CITY OR TOWN VOTES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISION OF CHAPTER 164, TO ESTABLISH A MUNICIPAL UTILITY AND ACQUIRE THE FACILITIES OF THE UTILITY CURRENTLY SERVING THE COMMUNITY, AND THE UTILITY REFUSES TO SELL ITS PROPERTY TO THE CITY OR TOWN, THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES WILL ESTABLISH A FAIR PRICE FOR THE FACILITIES, AND THE UTILITY WILL BE REQUIRED TO ACCEPT THE PRICE DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND TENDER THE DEED FOR THE FACILITIES TO THE CITY OR TOWN.

## QUESTION NO. 5

### LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

DO YOU APPROVE OF A LAW SUMMARIZED BELOW, WHICH WAS DISAPPROVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON MAY 3, 1976, BY A VOTE OF 197-55, AND ON WHICH NO VOTE WAS TAKEN BY THE SENATE BEFORE MAY 5, 1976?

YES

NO

### SUMMARY

THE PROPOSED LEGISLATION WOULD PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION, OWNERSHIP, OR SALE OF ANY WEAPON FROM WHICH A SHOT OR BULLET CAN BE

DISCHARGED AND WHICH HAS A BARREL LENGTH OF LESS THAN SIXTEEN INCHES. THE PROHIBITION WOULD NOT APPLY TO MILITARY PERSONNEL, LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, FEDERALLY LICENSED HANDGUN MANUFACTURERS AND WHOLESALEERS, COMMON CARRIERS IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF TRANSPORT, OR TO HISTORICAL SOCIETIES AND MUSEUMS. THE ACT WOULD NOT AFFECT THE POSSESSION OF RIFLES, SHOTGUNS, AND CERTAIN ANTIQUES AND REPLICAS. THE PROPOSAL ALSO DOES NOT CHANGE THE EXISTING STATUTORY PENALTIES FOR UNLAWFUL POSSESSION, OWNERSHIP OR SALE OF HANDGUNS, INCLUDING PROVISION IMPOSING MANDATORY JAIL SENTENCES.

THE PROPOSAL WOULD PERMIT OWNERS OF HANDGUNS TO SURRENDER THEIR WEAPONS TO ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY IN THE COMMONWEALTH WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ACT WITHOUT INCURRING CRIMINAL LIABILITY. THOSE SURRENDERING HANDGUNS WITHIN THAT SIX MONTHS WILL BE COMPENSATED AT A RATE TO BE DETERMINED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

#### QUESTION NO. 6

##### LAW PROPOSED BY AN INITIATIVE PETITION

DO YOU APPROVE OF A LAW SUMMARIZED BELOW, WHICH WAS DISAPPROVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON MAY 3, 1976, YES  
BY A VOTE OF 146-85, AND ON WHICH NO NOTE WAS  
TAKEN BY THE SENATE BEFORE MAY 5, 1976? NO

#### SUMMARY

THE PROPOSED ACT WOULD REQUIRE EVERY BEVERAGE CONTAINER SOLD OR OFFERED FOR SALE IN THE COMMONWEALTH TO HAVE A REFUND VALUE OF AT LEAST FIVE (5) CENTS, AND WOULD PROHIBIT THE SALE OF METAL BEVERAGE CONTAINERS WITH FLIP-TOPS. IT WOULD APPLY TO CONTAINERS FOR BEER AND OTHER MALT BEVERAGES AND TO SOFT DRINKS. IT WOULD NOT APPLY TO CONTAINERS FOR DAIRY PRODUCTS OR NATURAL FRUIT JUICES, NOR TO CONTAINERS WHICH ARE BIO-DEGRADABLE.

THE ACT WOULD AUTHORIZE THE SECRETARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS TO CERTIFY CONTAINERS AS REUSEABLE OR RECYCLABLE. IT CONTAINS BOTH ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTY PROVISIONS AND WOULD TAKE EFFECT ON FEBRUARY 1, 1977.

#### QUESTION NO. 7

##### LAW PROPOSED BY AN INITIATIVE PETITION

DO YOU APPROVE OF A LAW SUMMARIZED BELOW, WHICH WAS DISAPPROVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON MAY 3, 1976, YES  
BY A VOTE OF 132-49, AND ON WHICH NO VOTE WAS  
TAKEN BY THE SENATE BEFORE MAY 5, 1976? NO



## SUMMARY

THE PROPOSED ACT WOULD IMPOSE A GENERAL REQUIREMENT THAT EVERY ELECTRIC UTILITY COMPANY CHARGE A UNIFORM RATE PER KILOWATT HOUR OF ELECTRICITY. THE PROPOSED ACT WOULD EXCEPT FROM THIS GENERAL RULE RATES CHARGED TO OTHER ELECTRIC UTILITY COMPANIES AND TO RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS WHO HEAT THEIR PRINCIPLE PLACE OF RESIDENCE BY ELECTRICITY. THE ACT WOULD ALSO PERMIT A DIFFERENT RATE TO BE CHARGED RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS FOR THE FIRST THREE HUNDRED (300) KILOWATT HOURS THEY CONSUME EACH MONTH, AND WOULD AUTHORIZE "PEAK LOAD" PRICING WHEREBY A HIGHER RATE THAN THE UNIFORM RATE PER KILOWATT HOUR MAY BE CHARGED DURING THE PERIODS OF THE DAY OR SEASONS OF THE YEAR WHEN CONSUMPTION OF ELECTRICITY IS THE GREATEST. THE ACT WOULD AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES TO ISSUE IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS AND PROVIDES FOR ENFORCEMENT.

## QUESTION NO. 8

THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

THE FOLLOWING IS A NON-BINDING ADVISORY QUESTION: "SHALL THE GENERAL COURT ENACT LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN OIL REFINERY AND A DEEP WATER PORT, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THOSE COMMUNITIES DIRECTLY AFFECTED AND ANY RESERVATIONS THAT THE GENERAL COURT MAY PRESCRIBE?"

YES

NO

## SUMMARY

THE LEGISLATURE HAS PLACED THIS QUESTION ON THE BALLOT IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PEOPLE FAVOR OR OPPOSE THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN OIL REFINERY AND DEEP WATER PORT IN MASSACHUSETTS. THE VOTE ON THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING ON THE LEGISLATURE. THE QUESTION DEALS WITH THE GENERAL ADVISABILITY OF SUCH CONSTRUCTION AND IS NOT A SPECIFIC PROPOSAL FOR A FACILITY. IF A SPECIFIC PROPOSAL IS MADE, IT WOULD BE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE COMMUNITIES DIRECTLY AFFECTED AND SUBJECT TO ANY RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED BY THE LEGISLATURE.

## QUESTION NO. 9

THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

THE FOLLOWING IS A NON-BINDING ADVISORY QUESTION: "SHALL RETAIL STORES INCLUDING PACKAGE LIQUOR STORES, SO CALLED, BE ALLOWED TO OPEN FOR BUSINESS ON SUNDAY?"

YES

NO

## SUMMARY

THE LEGISLATURE HAS PLACED THIS QUESTION ON THE BALLOT IN ORDER

TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PEOPLE FAVOR OR OPPOSE THE SUNDAY OPENING OF CERTAIN RETAIL STORES, INCLUDING PACKAGE LIQUOR STORES. AS THE LAW NOW STANDS, MOST RETAIL AND ALL PACKAGE LIQUOR STORES MUST BE CLOSED ON SUNDAYS. THE VOTE ON THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING ON THE LEGISLATURE.

## POLLING PLACES

PRECINCT 1 .....BROOKLINE MOTOR HOTEL, 1223 BEACON STREET  
 PRECINCT 2 .....COOLIDGE CORNER BRANCH LIBRARY, 31 PLEASANT STREET  
 PRECINCT 3 .....ST. PAUL'S PARISH HALL, 27 ST. PAUL STREET  
 PRECINCT 4 .....ST. MARY'S SCHOOL HALL, 75 HARVARD STREET  
 PRECINCT 5 .....SEWALL SCHOOL, 279 CYPRESS STREET  
 PRECINCT 6 .....PHYSICAL EDUCATION BUILDING, 70 TAPPAN STREET  
 PRECINCT 7 .....HARVARD CHURCH, 15 MARION STREET  
 PRECINCT 8 .....FIRE STATION #5, 49 BABCOCK STREET  
 PRECINCT 9 .....KEHILLATH ISRAEL TEMPLE, 384 HARVARD STREET  
 PRECINCT 10 .....ARTHUR A. O'SHEA HOUSE, 61 PARK STREET  
 PRECINCT 11 .....DRISCOLL SCHOOL, 64 WESTBOURNE TERRACE  
 PRECINCT 12 .....RUNKLE SCHOOL GYMNASIUM, CLINTON ROAD ENTRANCE  
 PRECINCT 13 .....CHINESE CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 1835 BEACON STREET  
 PRECINCT 14 .....HEATH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM, 100 ELIOT STREET  
 PRECINCT 15 .....FIRE STATION #6, 962 HAMMOND STREET  
 PRECINCT 16 .....PUTTERHAM BRANCH LIBRARY, 959 WEST PRXBURY PARKWAY

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00 A. M. TO 8:00 P. M.

HEREOF FAIL NOT AND MAKE RETURN OF THIS WARRANT WITH YOUR DOINGS THEREON AT THE TIME AND PLACE OF SAID MEETING.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS THIS 25TH DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D., 1976.

ROBERT C. COCHRANE, JR.  
 EDWARD NOVAKOFF  
 JUDAH M. STONE  
 ELEANOR MYERSON  
 STEPHEN B. GOLDENBERG  
 BOARD OF SELECTMEN



## OFFICER'S RETURN

NORFOLK, SS.

BROOKLINE, OCTOBER 25, 1970

BY VIRTUE OF THIS WARRANT, I THIS DAY NOTIFIED  
AND WARNED THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE,  
AS WITHIN DESCRIBED, BY POSTING TRUE AND ATTESTED  
COPIES OF THIS WARRANT IN SIXTEEN PUBLIC PLACES  
WITHIN THE TOWN, WHICH WAS DONE AT LEAST SEVEN DAYS  
BEFORE SAID ELECTION.

JAMES V. ESPOSITO (S)  
CONSTABLE

W A R R A N T  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF  
MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, SS

TOWN OF BROOKLINE

TO ANY CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE,  
GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE  
INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE QUALIFIED TO  
VOTE AT ELECTIONS TO MEET AT THE HIGH SCHOOL  
AUDITORIUM IN SAID TOWN ON

TUESDAY, THE 26TH DAY OF  
OCTOBER, 1976

AT SEVEN-THIRTY O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING FOR THE  
FOLLOWING PURPOSES, TO WIT:

FIRST ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO  
PETITION THE GENERAL COURT TO ENACT THE FOLLOWING  
ACT, AND AUTHORIZE THE SELECTMEN TO FILE THE FOLLOWING  
PETITION TO THE GENERAL COURT, SUCH ACT TO BE IN  
SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM:

"AN ACT TO REVISE THE LAW PERTAINING TO THE  
PROVISIONS OF EDUCATING CERTAIN NON-RESIDENT  
CHILDREN.

BE IT ENACTED, ETC., AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. SECTION 12A OF CHAPTER 76 OF THE  
GENERAL LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
AS AMENDED BY SECTION 7 OF CHAPTER 636 OF THE  
ACTS OF 1974, IS HEREBY DELETED AND THE FOLLOWING  
SUBSTITUTED IN ITS PLACE:

THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF ANY CITY OR TOWN OR  
ANY REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MAY ADOPT  
A PLAN FOR ATTENDANCE AT ITS SCHOOLS BY ANY CHILD  
WHO RESIDES IN ANOTHER CITY, TOWN OR REGIONAL  
SCHOOL DISTRICT IN WHICH RACIAL IMBALANCE, AS  
DEFINED IN SECTION THIRTY-SEVEN D OF CHAPTER  
SEVENTY-ONE, EXISTS IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL. SUCH PLAN  
SHALL TEND TO ELIMINATE SUCH RACIAL IMBALANCE,  
SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSES OF SAID  
SECTION THIRTY-SEVEN D, AND SHALL INCLUDE AN  
ESTIMATE OF THE EXPENSES NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT  
SUCH PLAN. SUCH SCHOOL COMMITTEE OR REGIONAL  
DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE SHALL FILE A COPY OF

SUCH PLAN AND THE VOTE BY WHICH IT WAS ADOPTED WITH THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, IN THIS SECTION CALLED THE BOARD. THE BOARD SHALL APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE SUCH PLAN WITHIN NINETY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SUCH FILING. IF IT DISAPPROVES SUCH PLAN, IT SHALL STATE THE REASONS THEREFOR. IF IT APPROVES SUCH PLAN, THE BOARD, ACTING THROUGH THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION AND ON BEHALF OF THE COMMONWEALTH, SHALL ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SUCH SCHOOL COMMITTEE OR REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE PROVIDING THAT SUCH SCHOOL COMMITTEE SHALL ACCEPT FOR ATTENDANCE AT ITS SCHOOL NON-RESIDENT CHILDREN AS PROVIDED BY SUCH PLAN AND THAT THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SUCH CITY, TOWN OR REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE AS PROVIDED BY THIS SECTION; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT SUCH AGREEMENT MAY PROVIDE THAT SUCH SCHOOL COMMITTEE OR REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE WAIVES ALL OR ANY PART OF THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. HOWEVER, THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE SHALL NOT IN ANY YEAR WAIVE THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE COST OF EDUCATING AND TRANSPORTING EACH NON-RESIDENT CHILD, AS APPROVED BY THE BOARD, WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING APPROVAL OF THE WAIVER, IN THE CASE OF A CITY BY THE CITY COUNCIL OR BOARD OF ALDERMAN, AND IN THE CASE OF A TOWN BY A TOWN MEETING. NO SUCH SCHOOL COMMITTEE OR REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE SHALL BE REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT ANY SUCH PLAN UNLESS AND UNTIL IT AND THE BOARD HAVE ENTERED INTO SUCH AN AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR THE AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND THE TERMS ON WHICH SUCH ASSISTANCE SHALL BE PROVIDED.

THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL, UPON CERTIFICATION BY THE BOARD, PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUCH AGREEMENT. SUCH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SHALL INCLUDE, BUT SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO, AN AMOUNT COMPUTED BY MULTIPLYING THE AGGREGATE COST OF EDUCATING AND TRANSPORTING EACH NON-RESIDENT CHILD, IN EACH CASE AS APPROVED BY THE BOARD, BY THE NUMBER OF NON-RESIDENT CHILDREN. SUCH SUMS AS MAY BE RECEIVED FOR TUITION BY A SCHOOL COMMITTEE FROM THE COMMONWEALTH FROM TIME TO TIME SHALL BE TURNED OVER TO THE TREASURER OF A CITY OR TOWN AND DEPOSITED IN THE GENERAL FUND. A REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE SHALL TURN OVER TO THE TREASURERS OF THE TOWNS CONSTITUTING THE DISTRICT TUITION AMOUNTS IN THE SAME PROPORTION AS SUCH TOWNS PAY EXPENSES FOR MAINTAINING SUCH DISTRICT. THESE AMOUNTS SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN THE GENERAL FUND. FORMULAS USED BY THE BOARD TO COMPUTE TUITION AND TRANSPORTATION SHALL BE THE SAME FOR ALL SCHOOL COMMITTEES PARTICIPATING UNDER THIS SECTION.

THE BOARD SHALL PROVIDE TECHNICAL AND OTHER ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMITTEE IN THE FORMULATION AND



IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY SUCH PLAN. NO FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL BE USED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO PAY FOR SERVICES TO ANY CHILDREN OTHER THAN THOSE COVERED BY PARAGRAPH ONE OF THIS ACT. A SCHOOL COMMITTEE, REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE, OR BOARD MAY ACCEPT, FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPLEMENTING ANY SUCH PLAN, GIFTS, GRANTS, OR CONTRIBUTIONS FROM ANY SOURCE, WHETHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE. ANY GIFT, GRANT, OR CONTRIBUTION SO ACCEPTED BY A SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF A CITY OR TOWN OR REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR SUCH PURPOSE SHALL BE DEPOSITED WITH THE TREASURER OF SUCH CITY, TOWN, OR REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE IN A SEPARATE ACCOUNT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF AMOUNTS RECEIVED FOR TUITION, AND MAY BE EXPENDED WITHOUT FURTHER APPROPRIATION, NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION FIFTY-THREE OF CHAPTER FORTY-FOUR. UNEXPENDED FUNDS IN THE SEPARATE ACCOUNT SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE SURPLUS FUNDS OF A CITY OR TOWN AND, IN THE CASE OF A REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL, TO THE SURPLUS FUNDS OF THE TOWNS CONSTITUTING THE DISTRICT IN THE SAME PROPORTION AS SUCH TOWNS PAY EXPENSES FOR MAINTAINING SUCH DISTRICT, SUCH TRANSFER TO BE MADE PRIOR TO THE CLOSE OF EACH FISCAL YEAR. SECTION 2, SAID ACT TO TAKE EFFECT UPON ITS PASSAGE."

OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

SECOND ARTICLE. To see if the TOWN will vote to PETITION THE GENERAL COURT TO ENACT THE FOLLOWING ACT, AND AUTHORIZE THE SELECTMEN TO FILE THE FOLLOWING PETITION TO THE GENERAL COURT FOR SPECIAL LEGISLATION, SUCH ACT TO BE IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM:

"A SPECIAL BROOKLINE ACT RELATING TO THE EDUCATION OF CERTAIN NON-RESIDENT CHILDREN. BE IT ENACTED, ETC., AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW TO THE CONTRARY NOTWITHSTANDING, THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE, HEREINAFTER CALLED THE COMMITTEE, SHALL FOLLOW THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT AND MAY ADOPT A PLAN FOR ATTENDANCE AT ITS SCHOOLS BY ANY CHILD WHO RESIDES IN ANOTHER CITY, TOWN, OR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IN WHICH RACIAL IMBALANCE, AS DEFINED IN SECTION THIRTY-SEVEN D OF CHAPTER SEVENTY-ONE, EXISTS IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL.

SUCH PLAN SHALL TEND TO ELIMINATE SUCH RACIAL IMBALANCE, SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSES OF SAID SECTION THIRTY-SEVEN D, AND SHALL INCLUDE AN ESTIMATE OF THE EXPENSES NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT SUCH PLAN. THE COMMITTEE SHALL FILE A COPY OF SUCH PLAN AND VOTE BY WHICH IT WAS ADOPTED WITH THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, IN THIS SECTION CALLED THE BOARD. THE BOARD SHALL APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE SUCH PLAN WITHIN NINETY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SUCH FILING. IF IT DISAPPROVES SUCH PLAN, IT SHALL STATE THE REASONS THEREFOR. IF IT APPROVES SUCH PLAN, THE BOARD, ACTING THROUGH THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION AND ON BEHALF OF THE COMMONWEALTH, SHALL ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMITTEE PROVIDING THAT THE COMMITTEE ACCEPTS FOR ATTENDANCE AT ITS SCHOOLS NON-RESIDENT CHILDREN AS PROVIDED BY SUCH PLAN AND THAT THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMITTEE AS PROVIDED BY THIS SECTION; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT SUCH AGREEMENT MAY PROVIDE THAT THE COMMITTEE WAIVES ALL OR ANY PART OF SUCH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. HOWEVER, THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE SHALL NOT IN ANY YEAR WAIVE THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE COST OF EDUCATING AND TRANSPORTING EACH NON-RESIDENT CHILD, AS APPROVED BY THE BOARD, WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING THE APPROVAL BY A TOWN MEETING FOR SUCH WAIVER. THE COMMITTEE SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT ANY SUCH PLAN UNLESS AND UNTIL IT AND THE BOARD HAVE ENTERED INTO SUCH AN AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR THE AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND THE TERMS ON WHICH SUCH ASSISTANCE SHALL BE PROVIDED.

THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL, UPON CERTIFICATION BY THE BOARD, PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUCH AGREEMENT. SUCH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SHALL INCLUDE, BUT SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO, AN AMOUNT COMPUTED BY MULTIPLYING THE AGGREGATE COST OF EDUCATING AND TRANSPORTING EACH NON-RESIDENT CHILD, IN EACH CASE AS APPROVED BY THE BOARD, BY THE NUMBER OF NON-RESIDENT CHILDREN ATTENDING BROOKLINE SCHOOLS. SUCH SUMS AS MAY BE RECEIVED FOR TUITION FROM THE COMMONWEALTH FROM TIME TO TIME SHALL BE TURNED OVER TO THE TREASURER OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE AND DEPOSITED IN ITS GENERAL FUND. FORMULAS USED TO COMPUTE TUITION AND TRANSPORTATION SHALL NOT PRODUCE LESS PER PUPIL ASSISTANCE THAN FORMULAS EMPLOYED BY THE BOARD IN THE CASE OF OTHER SCHOOL COMMITTEES PARTICIPATING UNDER THIS SECTION.

THE BOARD SHALL PROVIDE TECHNICAL AND OTHER ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMITTEE IN THE FORMULATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY SUCH PLAN. NO FINANCIAL

ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL BE USED DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY TO PAY FOR SERVICES TO ANY CHILDREN OTHER THAN THOSE COVERED BY PARAGRAPH ONE OF THIS ACT. THE COMMITTEE OR BOARD MAY ACCEPT, FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPLEMENTING ANY SUCH PLAN, GIFTS, GRANTS, OR CONTRIBUTIONS FROM ANY SOURCE, WHETHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE. ANY GIFT, GRANT, OR CONTRIBUTION SO ACCEPTED BY THE COMMITTEE FOR SUCH PURPOSE SHALL BE DEPOSITED WITH THE TREASURER OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE AND HELD IN A SEPARATE ACCOUNT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF AMOUNTS RECEIVED FOR TUITION, AND MAY BE EXPENDED WITHOUT FURTHER APPROPRIATION, NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION FIFTY-THREE OF CHAPTER FORTY-FOUR. UNEXPENDED FUNDS IN THE SEPARATE ACCOUNT SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE TOWN'S SURPLUS FUNDS PRIOR TO THE CLOSE OF EACH FISCAL YEAR.

SECTION 2. SAID ACT TO TAKE EFFECT UPON ITS PASSAGE."

OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

THIRD ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO APPROPRIATE A SUM OF MONEY FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS TO BE EXPENDED BY A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF SEVEN RESIDENTS TO BE APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN WITHIN FOURTEEN DAYS OF THE CLOSE OF THIS TOWN MEETING, TO ENGAGE BOTH AN OUTSIDE INDEPENDENT FIRM OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS AND ONE OR MORE ATTORNEYS AT LAW TO PERFORM A FULL, TOTAL AND COMPLETE AUDIT OF ALL OF THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEARS 1974, FISCAL YEAR 1975, AND FISCAL YEAR 1976, OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE, WITH THE SELECTMEN'S CONSENT; SUCH AUDIT SHALL SPECIFICALLY INCLUDE (NOT IN A LIMITING SENSE), ALL INCOME, GIFTS, GRANTS, RECEIPTS, AND APPROPRIATIONS FROM ALL SOURCES INCLUDING GOVERNMENTAL BODIES, PRIVATE PHILANTHROPY, INDIVIDUALS, CORPORATIONS, AND SO FORTH, AND SHALL INCLUDE ALL DISBURSEMENTS OF EVERY NAME, NATURE, AND DESCRIPTION FOR ALL AND ANY PURPOSES WHATSOEVER AND SHALL INCLUDE (NOT IN A LIMITING SENSE) ALL PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES IN WHICH THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT PARTICIPATES AND/OR ADMINISTERS, WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON THE APPROPRIATENESS AND APPLICABILITY OF EXPENDITURES TO THE ACCOUNT, STATUTE, PURPOSES, AREA OF SOURCE FOR WHICH THE FUNDS MAY BE EXPENDED, GRANTED, OR APPROPRIATED BY THEIR PARTICULAR SOURCE(S); SUCH AUDITORS AND COUNSEL SHALL FILE A WRITTEN REPORT OF THEIR FINDINGS AND SHALL MAKE SUCH SUGGESTIONS AS MAY SEEM TO THEM APPROPRIATE FOR IMPROVEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONTROLS AND TO PREVENT DIFFICULTIES WITH MISAPPLICATION AND/OR MISAPPROPRIATION OF FUNDS. THE CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS AND COUNSEL SHALL IDENTIFY EACH AND EVERY DISCREPANCY AND/OR VARIANCE FOUND IN THE COURSE OF THEIR



EFFORTS AND REPORT THE SAME WITH THEIR SUGGESTIONS TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF SELECTMEN ON OR BEFORE 28 FEBRUARY 1977;

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN SHALL CAUSE THE FULL REPORT TO BE PUBLISHED AND DISTRIBUTED TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND ALL TOWN MEETING MEMBERS NOT LESS THAN 21 DAYS PRIOR TO THE 1977 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING; OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, AND MAKE DUE RETURN OF THIS WARRANT, WITH YOUR DOINGS THEREON, TO THE SELECTMEN FOURTEEN DAYS AT LEAST BEFORE THE DAY OF SAID MEETING.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT BROOKLINE AFORESAID, THIS FIFTH DAY OF OCTOBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIX.

ROBERT C. COCHRANE, JR.

EDWARD NOVAKOFF

JUDAH M. STONE

STEPHEN B. GOLDENBERG

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

## OFFICER'S RETURN

NORFOLK, SS.

BROOKLINE, OCTOBER 8, 1976

BY VIRTUE OF THIS WARRANT, I THIS DAY NOTIFIED AND WARNED THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO MEET AT THE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM IN SAID TOWN AT 7:30 P.M., TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1976, BY POSTING TRUE AND ATTESTED COPIES OF THE WITHIN WARRANT IN TWENTY PUBLIC PLACES AND BY CAUSING IT TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE BROOKLINE CHRONICLE-CITIZEN, ISSUE OF OCTOBER 7, 1976, AN ATTESTED COPY OF THE WITHIN WARRANT. ALL OF WHICH WAS DONE AT LEAST FOURTEEN DAYS BEFORE SAID MEETING.

JOHN P. McELROY (s)  
CONSTABLE



# TOWN OF BROOKLINE

Massachusetts



October 8, 1976

JOHN F. KENDRICK  
TOWN CLERK  
WILLIAM F. SULLIVAN  
ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

To Town Meeting Members:

In accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 43A, Section 5, you are hereby officially notified that the Selectman have called for a Special Town Meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 26, 1976 at 7:30 P.M.

The meeting will be held in the Auditorium of the Brookline High School.

Very Truly Yours

John F. Kendrick  
Town Clerk

JFK/MDS



## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

October 26, 1976

Pursuant to the Warrant of the Selectmen, served according to law upon the inhabitants of the Town of Brookline by a Constable of said Town, and written notices sent by the Town Clerk at least seven days before the day of the meeting to the Town Meeting Members qualified to act in Town Meetings in Brookline under the provisions of Chapter 43A of the General Laws, as amended, accepted by the Town of Brookline March 10, 1942, the Town Meeting Members, so qualified, met at the High School Auditorium in said Town on Tuesday, the twenty-six day of October 1976 at half past seven in the evening.

Lists of duly qualified Town Meeting Members were used at the entrances to the meeting place and were in charge of Richard Boffa, Lynn Simard, Paul Egan, Carol Taggart, Richard Nyhan and Kenneth Whitney, checkers, who were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. The list contained the names of two hundred forty-eight (248) Town Meeting Members qualified to participate in and vote in Town Meetings in Brookline. No Town Meeting Member was allowed within the rails until his name had been checked on the list.

At fifty-six minutes past seven o'clock the checkers reported that one hundred and thirty three (133) names of Town Meeting Members had been checked, or more than one half of all Town Meeting Members qualified, and the Town Clerk reported a quorum was present. The meeting was called to order by Moderator, Justin L. Wyner.

The Moderator appointed the following members as tellers: James Kurland, Ruth Dorfman, J. Robert Morse, Thomas Kahn, Joseph Sargon and Joseph Richardson. They were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties by the Town Clerk.

FIRST ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to petition the General Court to enact the following Act, and authorize the Selectmen to file the following petition to the General Court, such Act to be in substantially the following form:

"An Act to revise the law pertaining to the provisions of educating certain non-resident children.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1. Section 12A of chapter 76 of the general laws of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, as amended by section 7 of chapter 636 of the acts of 1974, is hereby deleted and the following substituted in its place:

The school committee of any city or town or any regional district school committee may adopt a plan for attendance at its schools by any child who resides in another city, town, or regional school district in which racial imbalance, as defined in section thirty-seven D of chapter seventy-one, exists in a public school. Such plan shall tend to eliminate such racial imbalance, shall be consistent with the purposes of said section thirty-seven D, and shall include an estimate of the expenses necessary to implement such plan. Such school committee or regional district school committee shall file a copy of such plan and the vote by which it was adopted with the board of education, in this section called the board. The board shall approve or disapprove such plan within ninety days after the date of such filing. If it disapproves such plan, it shall state the reasons therefor. If it approves such plan, the board, acting through the commissioner of education and on behalf of the

commonwealth, shall enter into an agreement with such school committee or regional district school committee providing that such school committee shall accept for attendance at its school non-resident children as provided by such plan and that the commonwealth shall provide financial assistance to such city, town, or regional district school committee as provided by this section; provided, however, that such agreement may provide that such school committee or regional district school committee waives all or any part of the financial assistance. However, the school committee shall not in any year waive the financial assistance for the cost of educating and transporting each non-resident child, as approved by the board, without first obtaining approval of the waiver, in case of a city by the city council or board of aldermen, and in the case of a town by a town meeting. No such school committee or regional district school committee shall be required to implement any such plan unless and until it and the board have entered into such an agreement providing for the amount of financial assistance and the terms on which such assistance shall be provided.

The commonwealth shall, upon certification by the board, provide financial assistance in accordance with such agreement. Such financial assistance shall include, but shall not be limited to, an amount computed by multiplying the aggregate cost of educating and transporting each non-resident child, in each case as approved by the board, by the number of non-resident children. Such sums as may be received for tuition by a school committee from the commonwealth from time to time shall be turned over to the treasurer of a city or town and deposited in the general fund. A regional district school committee shall turn over to the treasurers of the towns constituting the district tuition amounts in the same proportion as such towns pay expenses for maintaining such district. These amounts shall be deposited in the general fund. Formulas used by the board to compute tuition and transportation shall be the same for all school committees participating under this section.

The board shall provide technical and other assistance to the committee in the formulation and implementation of any such plan. No financial assistance provided by the commonwealth shall be used directly or indirectly to pay for services to any children other than those covered by paragraph one of this act. A school committee, regional district school committee, or board may accept, for the purpose of implementing any such plan, gifts, grants, or contributions from any source, whether public or private. Any gift, grant, or contribution so accepted by a school committee of a city or town or regional district school committee for such purpose shall be deposited with the treasurer of such city, town, or regional district school committee in a separate account, with the exception of amounts received for tuition, and may be expended without further appropriation, notwithstanding the provisions of section fifty-three of chapter forty-four. Unexpended funds in the separate account shall be transferred to the surplus funds of a city or town and, in the case of a regional district school, to the surplus funds of the towns constituting the district in the same proportion as such towns pay expenses for maintaining such district, such transfer to be made prior to the close of each fiscal year.

Section 2. Said act to take effect upon its passage.", or act on anything relative thereto.

SECOND ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to petition the General Court to enact the following Act, and authorize the Selectmen to file the following petition to the General Court for special legislation, such Act to be in substantially the following form:

"A special Brookline Act relating to the education of certain non-resident children.



Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1. Any other provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding, the school committee of the town of Brookline, hereinafter called the committee, shall follow the provisions of this act and may adopt a plan for attendance at its schools by any child who resides in another city, town, or regional school district in which racial imbalance, as defined in section thirty-seven D of chapter seventy-one, exists in a public school. Such plan shall tend to eliminate such racial imbalance, shall be consistent with the purposes of said section thirty-seven D, and shall include an estimate of the expenses necessary to implement such plan. The committee shall file a copy of such plan and vote by which it was adopted with the board of education, in this section called the board. The board shall approve or disapprove such plan within ninety days after the date of such filing. If it disapproves such plan, it shall state the reasons therefor. If it approves such plan, the board, acting through the commissioner of education and on behalf of the commonwealth, shall enter into an agreement with the committee providing that the committee accepts for attendance at its schools non-resident children as provided by such plan and that the commonwealth shall provide financial assistance to the committee as provided by this section; provided, however, that such agreement may provide that the committee waives all or any part of such financial assistance. However, the school committee shall not in any year waive the financial assistance for the cost of educating and transporting each non-resident child, as approved by the board, without first obtaining the approval by a town meeting for such waiver. The committee shall not be required to implement any such plan unless and until it and the board have entered into such an agreement providing for the amount of financial assistance and the terms on which such assistance shall be provided.

The commonwealth shall, upon certification by the board, provide financial assistance in accordance with such agreement. Such financial assistance shall include, but shall not be limited to, an amount computed by multiplying the aggregate cost of educating and transporting each non-resident child, in each case as approved by the board, by the number of non-resident children attending Brookline schools. Such sums as may be received for tuition from the commonwealth from time to time shall be turned over to the treasurer of the town of Brookline and deposited in its general fund. Formulas used to compute tuition and transportation shall not produce less per pupil assistance than formulas employed by the board in the case of other school committees participating under this section.

The board shall provide technical and other assistance to the committee in the formulation and implementation of any such plan. No financial assistance provided by the commonwealth shall be used directly or indirectly to pay for services to any children other than those covered by paragraph one of this act. The committee or board may accept, for the purpose of implementing any such plan, gifts, grants, or contributions from any source, whether public or private. Any gift, grant or contribution so accepted by the committee for such purpose shall be deposited with the treasurer of the town of Brookline and held in a separate account, with the exception of amounts received for tuition, and may be expended without further appropriation, notwithstanding the provisions of section fifty-three of chapter forty-four. Unexpended funds in the separate account shall be transferred to the town's surplus funds prior to the close of each fiscal year.

Section 2. Said act to take effect upon its passage.", or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Shepard A. Spunt, duly seconded it was  
Voted:

To indefinitely postpone Articles 1 and 2 with the understanding that the School Committee consider the subject matter of these articles



with the relevant overhead costs.

The above was voted by a majority, so declared by the Moderator and so recorded.

THIRD ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds to be expended by a special committee of seven residents to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen within fourteen days of the close of this Town Meeting, to engage both an outside independent firm of certified public accountants and one or more attorneys at law to perform a full, total and complete audit of all of the accounts for the years 1974, fiscal year 1975, and fiscal year 1976, of the Department of Public Schools of the Town of Brookline, with the Selectmen's consent;

Such audit shall specifically include (not in a limiting sense), all income, gifts, grants, receipts, and appropriations from all sources including governmental bodies, private philanthropy, individuals, corporations, and so forth, and shall include all disbursements of every name, nature, and description for all and any purposes whatsoever and shall include (not in a limiting sense) all programs and activities in which the School Department participates and/or administers, with particular emphasis on the appropriateness and applicability of expenditures to the account, statute, purposes, area or source for which the funds may be expended, granted, or appropriated by their particular source(s);

Such auditors and counsel shall file a written report of their findings and shall make such suggestions as may seem to them appropriate for improvement of financial controls and to prevent difficulties with misapplication and/or misappropriation of funds. The certified public accountants and counsel shall identify each and every discrepancy and/or variance found in the course of their efforts and report the same with their suggestions to the School Committee and Board of Selectmen on or before 28 February 1977;

The Board of Selectmen shall cause the full report to be published and distributed to all interested parties and all Town Meeting Members not less than 21 days prior to the 1977 Annual Town Meeting;

or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by John J. Shea, duly seconded to refer the entire subject matter of Article 3 to Selectmen's Committee on Financial Management for revenue and analysis and to have them report their findings to the next Annual Town Meeting was defeated.

On a motion by Shepard A. Spunt, duly seconded the following was offered:

I move that the Town appropriate and transfer \$20,000 from surplus revenue to be expended by a special committee of seven residents of the Town to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen within fourteen days of the close of this Town Meeting, and with the Selectmen's approval to select and engage both an outside independent firm of certified public accountants and one or more attorneys-at-law/to perform a full, total, and complete audit of all Grants, Gifts, and Special Appropriation accounts for the FY 1974, FY 1975, and FY 1976 of the Department of Public Schools of the Town of Brookline. Such accounts shall specifically include (not in a limiting sense), all of the so-called "8000" Series Accounts including the Metco, Edco, Metropolitan Planning Project, Metropairways, Metropathways, and Collaboration Center programs or projects.

Such audit shall specifically include (not in a limiting sense), all income, gifts, grants, receipts, and appropriations from all sources including governmental bodies, private philanthropy, individuals, corporations, and so forth, and shall include all disbursements of every name, nature, and description for all and any purposes whatsoever involved in, with, or by the activities set forth above in which the School Department participates or which it administers, with particular emphasis on the legal and fiscal appropriateness and applicability of expenditures to the account, statute, purpose,

area, or source for which the designated funds may be expended, granted, or appropriated by their particular source(s).

Such accountants and counsel shall assist the special committee of seven residents above designated to formulate general requirements of a scope of audit for the entire School Department and all activities and programs in which it may be involved or administer, in accord with generally accepted accounting principles and in compliance with all laws regulating said School Department accounts insofar as possible; the legal requirements taking precedence unless waivers can be obtained from the applicable regulatory or requiring governmental authorities. The object of this particular effort is to produce an annual audit efficiently, economically, and consistent with annual Examination of Financial Statements of the Town.

The above motion was defeated.

At forty-three minutes past eight on a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously

Voted:

That this Special Town Meeting be dissolved.

At the close of the meeting the checkers reported the names of one hundred ninety-seven (197) Town Meeting Members had been checked as present at this meeting.

Dissolved :

John F. Kendrick  
Town Clerk

# Town of Brookline

## State Election , November 2, 1976

Sheet 1 of 2.

		Electors of President & Vice-President						Senator in Congress					Congressman			Councillor		
		Anderson & Shackelford	Camejo & Reid	Carter & Mondale	Ford & Dole	LaRouche, Jr. & Evans	McCarthy & Stoffer	BLANKS	Kennedy	Robertson	Evans	Lowry	BLANKS	Drinan	Mason	BLANKS	Connelly	BLANKS
Precinct Registered	1.	1,379	006	007	761	665	002	066	1000	445	024	006		879	593		680	
	2.	2,229	005	012	1014	678	005	070	1341	370	029	005		1117	612		868	
	3.	2,323	003	010	1010	720	000	072	1338	397	023	007		1091	679		847	
	4.	2,114	003	024	910	518	001	062	1130	320	036	011		963	571		842	
	5.	2,063	003	002	967	607	001	056	1181	378	033	008		923	676		942	
	6.	2,259	005	011	1027	635	002	065	1289	370	038	010		1111	590		860	
	7.	2,348	002	015	1088	687	000	051	1361	380	033	007		1079	668		780	
	8.	2,069	003	011	1040	538	004	062	1288	290	041	005		1080	530		785	
	9.	2,490	006	012	1244	623	004	069	1547	312	036	009		1225	677		837	
	10.	2,182	002	011	972	684	002	070	1340	315	033	008		1145	560		786	
	11.	2,377	005	019	1115	689	003	078	1465	358	036	007		1216	641		811	
	12.	2,194	006	016	1086	573	007	062	1396	300	029	005		1177	563		872	
	13.	2,206	006	010	973	742	001	069	1289	433	025	006		1099	666		852	
	14.	2,128	001	003	813	859	002	065	1119	555	021	009		846	338		741	
	15.	2,342	004	002	956	1162	000	042	1260	741	013	001		930	1111		1041	
	16.	2,453	003	005	998	1027	003	041	1424	586	013	002		963	1094		1031	
	Totals		35,656	063	170	15874	11407	037	1000	20318	6550	463	106		16844	11074		13575



# Town of Brookline

## State Election, November 2, 1976

Sheet 2 of 2.

	Senator In General Court				Representative In General Court			Clerk of Courts		Register of Deeds		County Commissioner			District Attorney		
	Backman	Spencer	Long	BLANKS	Businger	Segel	Weinberg	Conannon	BLANKS	Hannon	BLANKS	Collins	MacDonald	BLANKS	Delant	Goldstein	BLANKS
Precinct Registered																	
1.	844	498	047		900			740		732		667	546		627	425	
2.	1131	430	075		1174			937		928		845	685		691	614	
3.	1125	479	062		1216			946		938		863	671		751	587	
4.	967	434	065		1061			899		883		822	653		793	399	
5.	917	553	060		1163			977		944		896	720		1090	209	
6.	1044	517	065		1182			936		933		865	721		840	440	
7.	1113	501	067			1157		886		872		792	637		626	705	
8.	1087	380	057		1097			845		836		752	608		617	616	
9.	1293	449	049				1240	930		922		873	678		728	718	
10.	1149	419	044			1178		912		914		839	648		645	652	
11.	1232	488	050				1175	903		900		851	674		724	687	
12.	1162	434	057			1151		933		937		840	659		754	599	
13.	1040	569	056			1196		903		893		316	650		721	630	
14.	808	762	045			1113		973		953		375	706		793	520	
15.	944	946	048			1344		1109		1107		1019	316		764	310	
16.	1147	798	045			1484		1173		1176		1048	366		742	950	
Totals	17008	8657	842		7798	8623	2415	15007		14868		13663	10938		11906	9561	

**Town of Brookline**  
**State Election, November 2, 1976**  
**Questions**

	Question 1 Equal Rights		Question 2 Graduated Taxes		Question 3 Absentee Voting		Question 4 Mass. Power Authority		Question 5 Handgun		Question 6 Bottle Bill		Question 7 Electric Rates		Question 8 Oil Refinery		Question 9 Sunday Laws	
	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
PRECINCT 1.	1111	310	601	799	1050	321	352	1004	915	516	990	408	598	901	800	526	882	519
" 2.	1281	326	727	867	1247	323	444	1078	1010	608	1055	556	599	973	881	608	1082	498
" 3.	1256	394	692	941	1246	368	411	1138	1050	598	1075	571	588	1026	867	641	1063	562
" 4.	1020	436	560	874	974	433	372	988	768	660	860	564	543	873	809	537	823	513
" 5.	885	608	486	982	851	605	313	1096	741	761	860	614	507	958	816	608	783	701
" 6.	1146	455	719	875	1121	445	471	1058	936	676	1066	546	664	923	858	662	980	617
" 7.	1183	382	675	876	1179	347	413	1042	965	710	956	600	595	946	854	562	991	540
" 8.	1115	324	679	755	1140	280	440	933	882	575	936	510	593	830	773	572	981	452
" 9.	1367	325	813	868	1356	299	524	1069	1137	546	1146	530	708	958	919	637	1128	533
" 10.	1277	328	700	895	1299	279	446	1057	1079	530	1060	530	595	983	854	614	1048	525
" 11.	1293	385	714	946	1261	354	459	1112	1057	610	1087	593	622	1025	940	590	1098	542
" 12.	1356	286	750	879	1326	286	282	1068	1106	533	1226	402	605	958	921	610	1139	479
" 13.	1332	367	651	1033	1300	352	421	1192	1089	582	1176	493	561	1091	989	580	1145	514
" 14.	1150	493	476	1158	1124	483	323	1137	962	639	1057	601	487	1146	1026	545	969	679
" 15.	1346	623	447	1490	1366	559	345	1515	1120	843	1194	772	456	1483	1279	604	1219	729
" 16.	1201	637	401	1446	1349	542	326	1513	1017	912	1037	874	463	1432	1269	540	1142	764
TOTALS	19399	6679	10171	15684	19139	6276	6342	18000	15834	10349	16781	9164	9184	16506	14855	9436	16473	9167

# Town of Brookline

## State Election

NOVEMBER 2, 1976

TOTAL REGISTRATION												PERSONS VOTED				
Precinct	Total Write-Ins	Total Registration	Dem.	Reb.	Amer.	Ind.	Dem.	Rep.	Amer.	Ind.	Total Voted					
1	0	1,879	713	402		764					1,523					
2	0	2,229	1,066	326		837					1,819					
3	0	2,323	1,136	353		834					1,844					
4	3	2,114	1,118	204	1	791					1,622					
5	3	2,063	1,180	236		647					1,673					
6	2	2,259	1,165	268		826					1,784					
7	6	2,348	1,140	367		841					1,883					
8	0	2,069	1,139	206		724					1,689					
9	7	2,490	1,353	243		894					2,003					
10	0	2,182	1,056	301		825					1,773					
11	5	2,377	1,225	277		875					1,950					
12	0	2,194	1,136	248		810					1,796					
13	5	2,206	1,064	362		780					1,825					
14	1	2,126	958	413		757					1,770					
15	0	2,542	959	617		966					2,109					
16	2	2,453	1,163	378		887					2,109					
TOTALS	34	35,856	17,596	5,201	1	13,058					29,172					

% VOTED: 81.3%



W A R R A N T  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF  
MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, SS

TOWN OF BROOKLINE

TO ANY CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE  
GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE  
INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE QUALIFIED TO  
VOTE AT ELECTIONS TO MEET AT THE HIGH SCHOOL  
AUDITORIUM IN SAID TOWN ON

TUESDAY, THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF  
NOVEMBER, 1976

AT SEVEN-THIRTY O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING FOR THE  
FOLLOWING PURPOSES, TO WIT:

FIRST ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL AMEND THE  
ZONING BYLAW AS FOLLOWS:  
ZONING AMENDMENTS TO COMPLY WITH C. 803, ACTS OF  
1975:

1. TO AMEND SECTION 4.30 TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS  
AFTER USE 37, INSERT NEW USE 38A AS FOLLOWS:

"38A. AGRICULTURE, HORTICULTURE OR  
FLORICULTURE ON PARCELS OF MORE THAN FIVE  
ACRES, SUBJECT TO THE REGULATIONS SPECIFIED  
IN USE 57, AND NOT INCLUDING THE RETAIL  
SALE OF PRODUCTS OR SERVICES."

"YES" IN ALL DISTRICTS

INSERT NEW USE 38B AS FOLLOWS:

"38B. AGRICULTURE, HORTICULTURE OR  
FLORICULTURE ON PARCELS OF NOT MORE THAN  
FIVE ACRES AS A PRINCIPAL USE."

"NO" IN ALL DISTRICTS

CHANGE PRESENT USE 38 TO "38C"

2. TO AMEND SECTION 5.11 (A)(3) CLUSTER SUBDIVISIONS  
BY INSERTING IN LINE 4 AFTER THE WORDS "BOARD OF  
APPEALS," THE FOLLOWING WORDS:

"IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 40A OF THE GENERAL  
LAWS".

3. TO AMEND SECTION 6.13(d) DESIGN OF ALL OFF  
STREET PARKING FACILITIES BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING  
WORDS AT THE END OF BOTH SUBPARAGRAPHS (3) AND (4):  
", COPIES OF SUCH REPORTS TO BE PROVIDED TO  
THE APPLICANT.

4. To AMEND SECTION 8.3 ABANDONMENT IN THE NEXT TO THE LAST LINE BY CHANGING "ONE YEAR" TO "TWO YEARS".

5. To AMEND SECTION 9.4 PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL PERMIT BY INSERTING IN LINE 9 AFTER THE WORDS "BOARD OF APPEALS" THE FOLLOWING WORDS: "AND TO THE APPLICANT".

6. To AMEND SECTION 9.6 APPEALS FOR VARIANCE CALLING FOR ADVISORY REPORT FROM THE PLANNING BOARD BY DELETING DESIGNATION "(A)", PLACING A PERIOD AFTER "BY-LAW" IN THE FOURTH LINE AND DELETING THE REST OF THE SECTION.

7. To AMEND SECTION 9.7 TIME LIMITS FOR SPECIAL PERMITS AND VARIANCES BY STRIKING OUT THE PERIOD AT THE END OF THE SECTION AND ADDING THE FOLLOWING:  
"FOR A VARIANCE, AND ONE EXTENSION FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED ONE YEAR FOR A SPECIAL PERMIT."

8. To AMEND ARTICLE 9 BY ADDING A NEW SECTION AFTER SECTION 9.8 AS FOLLOWS: "SECTION 9.9 CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL OF USE VARIANCE"

(A) THE BOARD OF APPEALS MAY GRANT A USE VARIANCE, PROVIDED STATUTORY VARIANCE REQUIREMENTS ARE MET, ONLY ON LOTS THAT CONFORM TO ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

(1) EXPIRATION OF THE TIME LIMIT SPECIFIED FOR A PREVIOUSLY GRANTED USE VARIANCE.

(2) EXISTENCE PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1977, OF USES OF THE SAME GENERAL CLASSIFICATION AS THE USE VARIANCE APPLIED FOR, ON LOTS ADJOINING THE LOT IN QUESTION ON BOTH SIDES, OR, IF THE LOT IN QUESTION IS A CORNER LOT, ON BOTH THE SIDE AND THE REAR.

(3) EXISTENCE ON AN ADJOINING LOT OF A USE OF SUCH NUISANCE CHARACTERISTICS AS TO RENDER UNREASONABLE ANY CONFORMING USE OF THE LOT IN QUESTION.

(4) EXISTENCE ON THE LOT IN QUESTION OF A STRUCTURE OR STRUCTURES IN GOOD REPAIR AND OF APPEARANCE COMPATIBLE WITH ITS VICINITY WHICH CAN REASONABLY BE MAINTAINED AS A VISUAL AND TAXABLE ASSET ONLY IF SOME NONCONFORMITY OF USE IS PERMITTED.

(B) A USE VARIANCE MAY BE GRANTED ONLY IF THE BOARD OF APPEALS MAKES ALL OF THE FINDINGS REQUIRED BY SECTION 9.5 FOR A SPECIAL PERMIT IN ADDITION TO THE FINDINGS REQUIRED BY STATUTE FOR A VARIANCE, AND FURTHER SUBJECT TO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING LIMITATIONS:

(1) THE EXTENT OF THE USE NONCONFORMITY AS TO FLOOR SPACE, BULK, NUMBER OF OCCUPANTS OR OTHER RELEVANT MEASURE SHALL BE NO

GREATER THAN THE MINIMUM NECESSARY TO PROVIDE RELIEF FROM THE STATUTORY HARDSHIP.

(2) THE OPERATION OF THE USE NONCONFORMITY AS TO HOURS, NOISE, LEVEL OF ACTIVITY OR OTHER RELEVANT WAYS SHALL BE SO RESTRICTED AS TO ASSURE COMPATIBILITY WITH CONFORMING USES IN THE VICINITY.

(3) IF THE USE IS AUTHORIZED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPHS (2) OR (3) OF PARAGRAPH (A) OF THIS SECTION BY THE PRIOR EXISTENCE OF ADJOINING NONCONFORMITIES OR INCOMPATIBILITIES:

(i) THE USE NONCONFORMITY ON THE LOT IN QUESTION SHALL BE PERMITTED NO FURTHER FROM SUCH PRIOR ADJOINING CONDITIONS THAN THE WIDTH OF THE LOT OR 100 FEET, WHICHEVER IS LESS;

(ii) THE USE NONCONFORMITY SHALL BE TERMINATED WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE TIME WHEN SUCH ADJOINING CONDITIONS HAVE BEEN TERMINATED, EXCEPT THAT THE BOARD OF APPEALS MAY GRANT A SPECIAL PERMIT FOR A FURTHER DELAY OF NOT MORE THAN FIVE YEARS."

9. To AMEND SECTION 10.0 AMENDMENT IN LINE 3 BY DELETING "SECTION 6 OF".

10. To AMEND SECTION 10.1 VALIDITY OF ACTION TAKEN UNDER PRIOR BY-LAW IN LINE 1 BY DELETING "SECTION 11,".

11. To AMEND SECTION 10.5 EFFECT OF SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENT IN LINE 7 BY DELETING "SECTION 5 OF". AND BY INSERTING IN LINE 13 AFTER THE WORDS "EFFECTIVE DATE OF SUCH AN AMENDMENT" THE FOLLOWING WORDS: "AND WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE PERMIT".

## B. ZONING AMENDMENTS PERTAINING TO TWO FAMILY DISTRICT REGULATIONS

12. IN SECTION 4.30 TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS, DELETE USE 22 AND SUBSTITUTE:

22. RESIDENTIAL PARKING GARAGE OR PARKING AREA SOLELY FOR THE STORAGE OF CARS OF RESIDENTS OF OTHER LOTS LOCATED WITHIN 400 FEET:

A. AS THE SOLE USE.

S	SC	T	M	L	G	O	I
No	No	No*	SP	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

\*MUNICIPAL PARKING FACILITIES PERMITTED BY SPECIAL PERMIT.



B. AS A SECONDARY USE; IN T DISTRICTS, SUCH USE SHALL BE FOR RESIDENTS WITHIN 400 FEET AND WITHIN THE SAME DISTRICT, AND SHALL OCCUPY NO MORE THAN 30% OF THE TOTAL LOT AREA BUT NOT WITHIN THE FRONT YARD AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 6.13(E)(3).

S	SC	T	M	L	G	O	I
No	No	SP	SP	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

13. IN SECTION 5.00 TABLE OF DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS, FOR T-6 AND T-5 DISTRICTS, CHANGE MINIMUM REAR YARD SET BACK FROM 25 FEET TO 30 FEET FOR 1-FAMILY ATTACHED DWELLINGS.

14. IN SECTION 5.48 ATTACHED ONE-FAMILY DWELLINGS IN T DISTRICTS, DELETE THE LAST LINE OF (B) AND SUBSTITUTE: "YARDS, ONE OF WHICH SHALL BE AT LEAST 30 FEET AND ONE OF WHICH SHALL BE AT LEAST 40 FEET".

#### C. ZONING AMENDMENTS PERTAINING TO BICYCLE PARKING FACILITIES

15. SUBSTITUTE THE WORD "VEHICULAR" FOR THE WORD "AUTOMOTIVE" IN THE TITLE OF ARTICLE 6.

16. AT THE END OF SECTION 6.00 INTENT OF REQUIREMENTS

ADD A NEW PARAGRAPH:

(F) IT IS FURTHER THE INTENT OF THIS ARTICLE TO ENCOURAGE THE USE OF BICYCLES FOR MANY TYPES OF PERSONAL TRAVEL BY MEANS OF ASSURING THE RESIDENTS OF MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS OF THE AVAILABILITY OF CONVENIENT AND SAFE PLACES FOR STORAGE OF THEIR BICYCLES, SHELTERED FROM PRECIPITATION, AND SECURE AGAINST THEFT OR VANDALISM OF THE BICYCLES OR ACCESSORIES THEREON. SUCH FACILITIES SHALL BE PROVIDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GENERAL REGULATIONS OF SECTION 6.10, AS WELL AS THE BICYCLE PARKING SPACE AND DESIGN REGULATIONS OF SECTION 6.14.

17. IN SECTION 6.10 GENERAL REGULATIONS APPLYING TO REQUIRED OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES FOLLOWING THE WORDS "SECTION 6.11" WHERE THEY APPEAR IN PARAGRAPH (B), AND TWICE IN PARAGRAPH (B)(1), ADD THE WORDS: "AND SECTION 6.14".

18. AFTER SECTION 6.13, ADD THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTION:

#### SECTION 6.14 BICYCLE SPACE AND DESIGN REGULATIONS

(A) SPACES FOR OFF-STREET PARKING OF BICYCLES SHALL BE PROVIDED FOR THE RESIDENTS OF EACH MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL BUILDING IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE SPACE PER FIVE HOUSING UNITS OR FRACTION THEREOF, NOT COUNTING UNITS HAVING A GROUND FLOOR ENTRANCE, SUBJECT TO THE FURTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION AND SECTION 6.10. THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION SHALL NOT APPLY TO THAT PORTION OF A HOUSING DEVELOPMENT DESIGNED EXCLUSIVELY FOR ELDERLY PERSONS.

(B) EACH BICYCLE PARKING SPACE SHALL BE SUFFICIENT TO ACCOMMODATE A BICYCLE AT LEAST SEVEN FEET IN LENGTH AND TWO FEET WIDE, AND SHALL BE PROVIDED WITH SOME FORM OF STEEL FRAME PERMANENTLY ANCHORED TO A FOUNDATION, TO WHICH A BICYCLE FRAME AND AT LEAST ONE WHEEL MAY BE CONVENIENTLY SECURED USING A CHAIN AND PADLOCK, OR OTHER EASILY PORTABLE BICYCLE LOCK IN COMMON USAGE. THE SEPARATION OF THE BICYCLE PARKING SPACES AND THE AMOUNT OF CORRIDOR SPACE SHALL BE ADEQUATE FOR CONVENIENT ACCESS TO EVERY SPACE WHEN THE PARKING FACILITY IS FULL. ANY BICYCLE PARKING SPACE WITHIN A STRUCTURE TO BE USED FOR MOTORIZED BICYCLES SHALL BE SUBJECT TO REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO INTERIOR STORAGE OF GASOLINE.

(C) CHANGES IN THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION, CONSISTENT WITH THE INTENT OF THIS ARTICLE, MAY BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF APPEALS FOR AN INDIVIDUAL BUILDING BY SPECIAL PERMIT.

#### D. ZONING AMENDMENTS PERTAINING TO SIGNS

19. TO AMEND SECTION 7.0 SIGNS IN ALL DISTRICTS BY ADDING THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH:

"(6) SIGNS OR ADVERTISING DEVICES NOT ATTACHED TO THE BUILDING SHALL NOT EXCEED 20 SQUARE FEET IN AREA OF EACH FACE EXCLUSIVE OF POSTS OR OTHER STRUCTURAL SUPPORTS AND SHALL NOT EXCEED 12 FEET IN HEIGHT. THERE SHALL BE NO MORE THAN ONE FREE-STANDING SIGN.

20. TO AMEND SECTION 7.2 SIGNS IN M AND O DISTRICTS BY DELETING IN THE TITLE "AND O" AND BY DELETING IN THE FIRST LINE THE WORDS "OR O";

21. To AMEND SECTION 7.3 SIGNS IN L, G, AND I DISTRICTS BY SUBSTITUTING THE NEW TITLE "SIGNS IN L, G, I, AND O DISTRICTS";

AND BY CHANGING THE FIRST LINE TO READ:

"(A) IN ANY L, G, I, OR O DISTRICT, NO ON-PREMISES SIGN OR";

AND BY CHANGING 7.3(A)(1) TO READ:

"(1) AS PERMITTED IN S, SC, T AND H DISTRICTS.

AND BY DELETING 7.3(A)(2) AND RENUMBERING SUBSEQUENT PARAGRAPHS.

22. To AMEND SECTION 7.4(c) ILLUMINATION BY DELETING "OR O" IN FIRST LINE.

#### E. MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS

23. IN SECTION 4.30 TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS, FOR USE 39 UNDER I DISTRICTS, SUBSTITUTE "SF" FOR "YES".

24. IN SECTION 6.11 OFF-STREET PARKING REGULATIONS, IN THE SECOND LINE OF (F) ADD USE "28" FOLLOWING "25",

AND IN THE SECOND LINE OF (G) DELETE USE "28".

#### F. MAP AMENDMENT

25. To AMEND THE ZONING MAP BY INCLUDING WITHIN A T-5 DISTRICT THOSE LOTS IDENTIFIED IN THE 1976 ATLAS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE PLATE 74 BY THE FOLLOWING BLOCK AND LOT NUMBERS NOW ZONED I-1.0

BLOCK 318: Lot 46, Lot 46A, A SOUTHERLY PORTION OF Lot 39 AND 47 DIVIDED BY A LINE PARALLEL TO AND DIMENSIONED TO 50'0" OF THE NORTHERLY PROPERTY LINE ALONG BOYLSTON STREET, A SOUTHERLY PORTION OF Lot 36 AND 48 DIVIDED BY A LINE PARALLEL TO AND DIMENSIONED TO 50'0" OF THE NORTHERLY PROPERTY LINE ALONG BOYLSTON STREET, Lot 49, A SOUTHERLY PORTION OF Lot 36 AND 50 DIVIDED BY A LINE PARALLEL TO AND DIMENSIONED TO 50'0" OF THE NORTHERLY PROPERTY LINE ALONG BOYLSTON STREET, Lots 51 THROUGH 56 AND ADJACENT PORTION OF WALNUT STREET TO THE CENTERLINE THEREOF.

OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

SECOND ARTICLE: To SEE IF THE TOWN WILL AMEND ARTICLES I AND II OF THE BYLAWS AS FOLLOWS:

A. IN ARTICLE I, SECTION 1, BY DELETING AT THE END OF SAID SECTION THE WORDS "SEVEN DAYS BEFORE SUCH



MEETING IS TO BE HELD" AND SUBSTITUTING THEREFOR THE FOLLOWING "SEVEN DAYS BEFORE THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AND FOURTEEN DAYS BEFORE ANY SPECIAL TOWN MEETING IS TO BE HELD" SO THAT SAID SECTION 1 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

"SECTION 1 THE CONSTABLES OR THE PERSONS TO WHOM THE WARRANT CALLING A TOWN MEETING IS DIRECTED SHALL GIVE NOTICE OF SUCH MEETING BY POSTING COPIES OF THE SAME IN TWENTY PUBLIC PLACES IN THE TOWN AND BY PUBLICATION OF A COPY OF THE SAID WARRANT IN A NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN THE TOWN OR IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, SUCH POSTING AND PUBLICATION TO BE AT LEAST SEVEN DAYS BEFORE THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AND FOURTEEN DAYS BEFORE ANY SPECIAL TOWN MEETING IS TO BE HELD."

OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

B. IN THE FIRST SENTENCE OF THE SECOND PARAGRAPH OF ARTICLE 1, SECTION 2, BY DELETING THE WORDS "JANUARY 2" AND SUBSTITUTING THEREFOR "DECEMBER 1" AND BY DELETING THE WORDS "SAID DATES" AND SUBSTITUTING THEREFOR "THE EARLIER OF SAID DATES OR JANUARY 2", SO THAT SAID PARAGRAPH 2 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

"ALL ARTICLES FOR INSERTION IN THE WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING SHALL BE FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN NOT LATER THAN 12 O'CLOCK NOON ON THE FIRST TUESDAY AFTER THE FIRST MONDAY IN FEBRUARY WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ARTICLES PERTAINING TO ZONING, WHICH MUST BE FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN NOT LATER THAN 12 O'CLOCK NOON ON DECEMBER 1 OR THE FIRST BUSINESS DAY THEREAFTER, AND THE SELECTMEN SHALL NOT ACCEPT ANY ARTICLES FROM ANY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS OR DEPARTMENTS AFTER THE EARLIER OF SAID DATES OR JANUARY 2. AN ARTICLE SUBMITTED BY A BOARD, COMMISSION OR DEPARTMENT SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE INCOMPLETE AND NOT ACCEPTABLE FOR INSERTION IN THE WARRANT UNLESS ALL PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES AND OTHER SUPPORTING DATA, AS WELL AS THE EXPLANATION OF THE PURPOSE OF THE ARTICLE, ARE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO SAID DEADLINES. THE INSERTION OF SUCH AN ARTICLE IN THE WARRANT BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN SHALL BE CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONDITION SET FORTH IN THE PRECEDING SENTENCE."

OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

C. IN ARTICLE II, SECTION 4, BY DELETING THE WORDS

"JANUARY 2" AND SUBSTITUTING THEREFOR "NOVEMBER 1"  
SO THAT SAID SECTION 4 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

"SECTION 4 IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF THE SELECTMEN TO PREPARE AND PRINT IN THE ANNUAL TOWN REPORT A TABLE OF ESTIMATES OF ALL ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS PROPOSED TO BE MADE AT THE ANNUAL MEETING. IN ORDER THAT THE SELECTMEN MAY MAKE SUCH A TABLE, EACH BOARD OR STANDING COMMITTEE SHALL MAKE OUT AN ESTIMATE FOR EACH APPROPRIATION TO BE ASKED FOR, AND CAUSE THE SAME TO BE HANDED TO THE SELECTMEN, IN WRITING, IN SEASON FOR SUCH PUBLICATION, AND NOT LATER THAN NOVEMBER 1 IN EACH YEAR, WITH THE REASONS THEREFOR.

OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

THIRD ARTICLE: TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO PETITION AND/OR APPROVE THE FILING OF A PETITION TO THE GENERAL COURT IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM:

AN ACT AUTHORIZED THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO LEASE TOWN-OWNED PROPERTY FOR THIRTY YEARS.

BE IT ENACTED, ETC., AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1 THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO LEASE THE TOWN OWNED PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE MONMOUTH STREET FIRE STATION TO THE BROOKLINE ARTS CENTER, INC., FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY YEARS AND UPON SUCH TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS THE SELECTMEN SHALL DETERMINE TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE TOWN, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THE TERMS OF THE LEASE AND THE ANNUAL RENTAL TO BE PAID TO THE TOWN UNDER SAID LEASE SHALL BE DETERMINED BY A TOWN MEETING.

SECTION 2 THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON ITS PASSAGE.

OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

FOURTH ARTICLE: TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO PETITION AND/OR APPROVE THE FILING OF A PETITION TO THE GENERAL COURT IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM:

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO CHANGE THE VOTING PRECINCTS WITHIN THE TOWN.

BE IT ENACTED, ETC., AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1 NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 54, SECTION 6, THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MAY, ON THEIR OWN MOTION, OR SHALL WHEN SO DIRECTED BY THE TOWN MEETING, DIVIDE THE TOWN, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 6, INTO CONVENIENT VOTING PRECINCTS, IN THE CALENDAR YEAR 1977.

SECTION 2 THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON ITS PASSAGE.

OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

FIFTH ARTICLE. TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO PETITION AND/OR APPROVE THE FILING OF A PETITION TO THE GENERAL COURT IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM:

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO CONDUCT URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES WHEN RECOMMENDED AND REQUESTED BY ITS PLANNING BOARD.

BE IT ENACTED, ETC., AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1 THIS ACT EMPOWERS THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE, WHEN RECOMMENDED AND REQUESTED BY ITS PLANNING BOARD AND WHEN AUTHORIZED BY A TOWN MEETING, TO CONDUCT URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES, AS DEFINED IN G.L.C. 121B, AS AMENDED.

SECTION 2 THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE, ACTING THROUGH ITS BOARD OF SELECTMEN, WHEN RECOMMENDED AND REQUESTED BY THE PLANNING BOARD, SHALL, EXCEPT AS HEREIN SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED OTHERWISE, BE AND HAVE ALL THE POWERS OF AN OPERATING AGENCY SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS FORTY-FIVE TO FIFTY-NINE, INCLUSIVE, OF CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE B OF THE GENERAL LAWS, AND HAVE SUCH FURTHER POWERS AND BE SUBJECT TO SUCH FURTHER LIMITATIONS AS WOULD FROM TIME TO TIME BE APPLICABLE TO A REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, AS IF IN EXISTENCE IN THE TOWN; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NOTWITHSTANDING SECTIONS ELEVEN, FORTY-SEVEN AND FORTY-EIGHT OF SAID CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE B,

NO URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT OR REHABILITATION PROJECT SHALL BE UNDERTAKEN, NOR SHALL ANY PROPERTY BE ACQUIRED FOR ANY SUCH PROJECT BY EMINENT DOMAIN OR OTHERWISE, UNTIL THE PLAN FOR SUCH PROJECT AND ANY ACQUISITIONS OF PROPERTY BY EMINENT DOMAIN UNDER SUCH PLAN HAS BEEN APPROVED BY AN ANNUAL OR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING; AND, PROVIDED FURTHER, THAT BORROWINGS ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED FOR AN APPROVED PROJECT UNDER SECTION 7 OF G.L.C.

44, AS AMENDED, FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED 20 YEARS.

THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE, ACTING UNDER G.L.C. 44, AS AMENDED, FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED 20 YEARS. THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE, ACTING UNDER G.L.C. 44, AS AMENDED, SHALL NOT BORROW OR AGREE TO BORROW MONEY WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF AN ANNUAL OR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING. WITHOUT LIMITING THE GENERALITY OF THE FOREGOING, THE TOWN, WITH THE APPROVAL OF AN ANNUAL OR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, MAY RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, MAY TRANSFER, MAY BORROW, MAY AGREE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE, TRANSFER AND TO BORROW A SUM OR SUMS OF MONEY, AND MAY DO OR AGREE TO DO OTHER THINGS, WITH OR WITHOUT CONSIDERATION, IN AID OF ANY PROJECT OR ACTIVITY PLANNED OR UNDERTAKEN BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION AND REQUEST OF THE PLANNING BOARD, TO THE SAME EXTENT AND SUBJECT TO THE SAME LIMITATIONS AS IF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN WERE A REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. NOTHING HEREIN SHALL, HOWEVER, ALTER OR LIMIT THE POWERS AND RIGHTS OF THE BROOKLINE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; OR



OF THE TOWN OR ANY OTHER OPERATING AGENCY THEREIN WITH RESPECT TO THE POWERS AND LIMITATIONS IN SECTIONS TWENTY-FIVE TO FORTY-FOUR A, INCLUSIVE, OF SAID CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE B.

SECTION 5 THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE.

OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

SIXTH ARTICLE: TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO FILE PREAPPLICATIONS AND APPLICATIONS UNDER THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974, P.L. 93-383, AS AMENDED, INCLUDING AN APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR THE GENERAL PROGRAMS TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN FY-1978 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,180,000, AS THE SAME MAY BE AMENDED; AND AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO TAKE SUCH OTHER ACTIONS AND FILE SUCH OTHER PREAPPLICATIONS AND APPLICATIONS AS MAY BE APPROPRIATE AND NECESSARY TO OBTAIN FUNDS FOR THESE PROGRAMS AND SUCH OTHER FUNDS FOR WHICH THE TOWN MAY BE ELIGIBLE UNDER SAID ACT; AND TO APPROPRIATE, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO EXPEND, FUNDS RECEIVED OR TO BE RECEIVED BY THE TOWN FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AS A RESULT OF SAID APPLICATIONS, OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETC.

SEVENTH ARTICLE: TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO AUTHORIZE THE SELECTMEN TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS, OR RATIFY AND CONFIRM THE ACTIONS OF THE SELECTMEN IN SUBMITTING SUCH APPLICATIONS, AS THE SAME MAY BE AMENDED, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, REPAIR OR OTHER IMPROVEMENTS OF LOCAL PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS UNDER TITLE 1 OF THE PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYMENT ACT OF 1976 P.L. 94-369 ENTITLED THE "LOCAL PUBLIC WORKS CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTMENT ACT OF 1976"; TO TAKE SUCH OTHER ACTIONS AS MAY BE APPROPRIATE TO OBTAIN SUCH GRANT OR GRANTS; TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY MONIES RECEIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAID APPLICATIONS; OR TO TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION OR ISSUE ANY DECLATATIONS WITH RESPECT THERETO ON ANY ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS:

BEACON STREET MALL;  
BOYLSTON PLAYGROUND REDEVELOPMENT;  
LYNCH RECREATION CENTER RENOVATION;  
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS CENTRAL VILLAGE;

OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

EIGHTH ARTICLE: TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO AUTHORIZE THE SELECTMEN TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION OR RATIFY AND CONFIRM THE ACTIONS OF THE SELECTMEN IN SUBMITTING SUCH APPLICATION, AS THE SAME MAY BE AMENDED, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE LINCOLN SCHOOL UNDER TITLE 1 OF THE PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYMENT ACT OF 1976 P.L. 94-369 ENTITLED THE "LOCAL PUBLIC WORKS CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTMENT ACT OF 1976"; TO TAKE SUCH OTHER ACTIONS AS MAY BE

APPROPRIATE TO OBTAIN SUCH GRANT; TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND ANY MONIES RECEIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAID APPLICATION; OR TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION OR ISSUE ANY DECLARATIONS WITH RESPECT THERETO; OR ACT ON ANYTHING RELATIVE THERETO.

NINTH ARTICLE: To see if the Town will appropriate from available funds a sum or sums of money to fund the cost of salary increases and night differential pay for the period July 1, 1976 through June 30, 1977 as provided in a labor agreement between the Town of Brookline and Local 950, IAFF, or act on anything relative thereto.

TENTH ARTICLE: To see if the Town will appropriate from available funds a sum or sums of money to fund fiscal year 1977 wage increases for certain employees who are not in a bargaining unit, or act on anything relative thereto.

ELEVENTH ARTICLE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for cost-of-living adjustments required under Chapter 304, of the Acts of 1976, or act on anything relative thereto.

TWELFTH ARTICLE: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to supplement the construction funds for the New Pierce School, first appropriated under Article 1 of the June 1970 Special Town Meeting, and recently supplemented by Article 23 of the Annual Town Meeting of April 1976, to be expended by the Building Commission with approval of the Board of Selectmen, in accordance with Article XV-A of the Town By-Laws, for further correction of masonry work and waterproofing, and to determine whether the same shall be raised by taxation, provided by a transfer from available funds, by borrowing or by any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

THIRTEENTH ARTICLE: To see if the Town will appropriate from available funds or from any insurance recovery funds certain sums for the purpose of reimbursing the school appropriations that were expended from the current budget to repair damages sustained as a result of a broken water main at the Pierce School on or about August 17, 1976, or act on anything relative thereto.

FOURTEENTH ARTICLE: To see if the Town will vote to rescind the balance remaining of \$117,000.00 in the borrowing authorization voted for the Solid Waste Transfer Station under Article 1 in the Varrant for the April 2, 1974 Town Meeting, or act on anything relative thereto.

FIFTEENTH ARTICLE: TO HEAR AND ACT UPON REPORTS  
OF TOWN OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, AND MAKE DUE RETURN OF THIS WARRANT,  
WITH YOUR DOINGS THEREON, TO THE SELECTMEN FOURTEEN  
DAYS AT LEAST BEFORE THE DAY OF SAID MEETING.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AT BROOKLINE AFORESAID, THIS  
EIGHTEENTH DAY OF OCTOBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE  
THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIX.

ROBERT C. COCHRANE, JR.  
ELEANOR MYERSON  
EDWARD NOVAKOFF  
STEPHEN B. GOLDENBERG  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN



## OFFICER'S RETURN

NORFOLK, SS.

BROOKLINE, OCTOBER 25, 1976

BY VIRTUE OF THIS WARRANT, I THIS DAY NOTIFIED AND WARNED THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO MEET AT THE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM IN SAID TOWN AT 7:30 P.M., TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1976, BY POSTING TRUE AND ATTESTED COPIES OF THE WITHIN WARRANT IN TWENTY PUBLIC PLACES AND BY CAUSING IT TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE BROOKLINE CHRONICLE-CITIZEN, ISSUE OF OCTOBER 21, 1976, AN ATTESTED COPY OF THE WITHIN WARRANT. ALL OF WHICH WAS DONE AT LEAST SEVEN DAYS BEFORE SAID MEETING.

WILLIAM A. FIGLER (s)  
CONSTABLE



# TOWN OF BROOKLINE

Massachusetts



October 26, 1976

JOHN F. KENDRICK  
TOWN CLERK  
WILLIAM F. SULLIVAN  
ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

To Town Meeting Members:

In accordance with General Laws, Chapter 43A, Section 5, you are hereby officially notified that the Selectman have called for a Special Town Meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 16, 1976 at 7:30 P.M.

The Meeting will be held in the Auditorium of the Brookline High School.

In the event the meeting is not completed on that evening please reserve November 18, 1976.

Very Truly Yours

John F. Kendrick  
Town Clerk.

JFK/nds

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

November 16, 1976

Pursuant to the Warrant of the Selectmen, served according to law upon the inhabitants of the Town of Brookline by a constable of said Town, and written notices sent by the Town Clerk at least seven days before the day of the meeting to the Town Meeting Members qualified to act in Town Meetings in Brookline under the provisions of Chapter 43A of the General Laws, as amended, accepted by the Town of Brookline March 10, 1942, the Town Meeting Members, so qualified, met at the Brookline High School Auditorium in said Town on Tuesday, the sixteenth day of November 1976 at half past seven in the evening.

Lists of duly qualified Town Meeting Members were used at the entrance to the meeting place and were in charge of Edward M. Kelly, Joseph F. Egan, Lynn E. Simard, David Barrat and Richard Nyhan, checkers, who were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. The list contained the names of two hundred and forty-six (246) Town Meeting Members qualified to participate in and vote in Town Meetings in Brookline. No Town Meeting Member was allowed within the rails until his name had been checked on the list.

At fifty-one minutes past seven o'clock the checkers reported that one hundred and twenty-nine (129) names of Town Meeting Members had been checked or more than one half of all Town Meeting Members qualified, and the Town Clerk reported a quorum was present.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Justin L. Wyner.

The Moderator appointed the following members as tellers: Gerald S. Parker, Frederick S. Sharff, Jean C. Stanburg, Eric Robert Morse, Claire R. Waldman and John N. Wilson. They were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties by the Town Clerk.

The Moderator checked through the Articles and those not held were considered first.

FOURTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to petition and/or approve the filing of a petition to the General Court in substantially the following form:

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO CHANGE THE VOTING PRECINCTS WITHIN THE TOWN.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1 Notwithstanding the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 54, Section 6, the Board of Selectmen may, on their own motion, or shall when so directed by the town meeting, divide the town, as provided in Section 6, into convenient voting precincts, in the calendar year 1977.

Section 2 This act shall take effect upon its passage.

or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane, Jr. duly seconded it was unanimously Voted: That action under the Fourth Article be indefinitely postponed.

NINTH ARTICLE To see if the Town will appropriate from available funds a sum or sums of money to fund the cost of salary increases and night differential pay for the period July 1, 1976 through June 30, 1977 as provided in a Labor Agreement between the Town of Brookline and Local 950, IAFF, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Eleanor Myerson duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer from surplus revenue \$231,500, to fund the cost of salary increases and night differential pay for the period July 1,



1976 through June 30, 1977 as provided in a Labor Agreement between the Town of Brookline and Local 950 IAFF.

TENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will appropriate from available funds a sum or sums of money to fund fiscal year 1977 wage increases for certain employees who are not in a bargaining unit, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Edward Novakoff duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer from surplus revenue \$16,700.00, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen to fund fiscal year 1977 wage increases for certain employees who are not in a bargaining unit.

On an amendment by Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., it was unanimously voted:

That the Town increase the salary and compensation of the Town Treasurer to an annual rate of \$26,001.00.

ELEVENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for cost-of-living adjustments required under Chapter 304, of the Acts of 1976, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Judah M. Stone, duly seconded, it was by a majority,

Voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer from surplus revenue \$35,000, to be expended under the direction of the Retirement Board, for cost-of-living adjustments required under Chapter 304, of the Acts of 1976.

TWELFTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to supplement the construction funds for the New Pierce School, first appropriated under Article 1 of the June 1970 Special Town Meeting, and recently supplemented by Article 23 of the Annual Town Meeting of April 1976, to be expended by the Building Commission with approval of the Board of Selectmen, in accordance with Article XV-A of the Town Bylaws, for further correction of masonry work and waterproofing, and to determine whether the same shall be raised by taxation, provided by a transfer from available funds, by borrowing or by any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Stephen Goldenberg, duly seconded it was by a majority

Voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer from surplus revenue \$28,000 to supplement the construction funds for the New Pierce School, first appropriated under Article 1 of the June 1970 Special Town Meeting, and recently supplemented by Article 23 of the Annual Town Meeting of April 1976, to be expended by the Building Commission with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, in accordance with Article XV-A of the Town Bylaws, for further correction of masonry work and waterproofing.

THIRTEENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will appropriate from available funds or from any insurance recovery funds, certain sums for the purpose of reimbursing the school appropriations that were expended from the current budget to repair damages sustained as a result of a broken water main at the Pierce School on or about August 17, 1976, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Bruce Young, duly seconded it was unanimously:

Voted: That the Town appropriate and transfer from surplus revenue \$30,000.00 for the purpose of reimbursing the school appropriations that were expended from the current budget to repair damages sustained as a result of a broken water main at the Pierce School on or about August 17, 1976.

FOURTEENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the balance remaining of \$117,000.00 in the borrowing authorization voted for the Solid Waste Transfer Station under Article 1 in the Warrant for the April 2, 1974 Town Meeting, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Jean Berg, duly seconded it was unanimously:

Voted: That the Town rescind the balance remaining of \$117,000.00 in the borrowing authorization voted for the Solid Waste Transfer Station under Article 1 in the Warrant for the April 2, 1974 Town Meeting.

FIRST ARTICLE. To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Bylaw as follows:

A. ZONING AMENDMENTS TO COMPLY WITH C. 808, ACTS of 1975:

1. To amend SECTION 4.30 TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS

After Use 37, insert new Use 38A as follows:

"38A. Agriculture, horticulture or floriculture on parcels of more than five acres, subject to the regulations specified in Use 57, and not including the retail sale of products or services."

"Yes" in all districts

Insert new Use 38B as follows:

"38B. Agriculture, horticulture or floriculture on parcels of not more than five acres as a principal use."

"No" in all districts

Change present Use 38 to "38C".

2. To amend SECTION 5.11 (a)(3) CLUSTER SUBDIVISIONS by inserting in line 4 after the words "Board of Appeals," the following words:

"in compliance with Chapter 40A of the General Laws."

3. To amend SECTION 6.13(d) DESIGN OF ALL OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES by adding the following words at the end of both subparagraphs (3) and (4):

", copies of such reports to be provided to the applicant."

4. To amend SECTION 8.3 ABANDONMENT in the next to the last line by changing "one year" to "two years."

5. To amend SECTION 9.4 PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL PERMIT by inserting in line 9 after the words "Board of Appeals" the following words:

"and to the applicant."

6. To amend SECTION 9.6 APPEALS FOR VARIANCE CALLING FOR ADVISORY REPORT FROM THE PLANNING BOARD by deleting designation "(a)", placing a period after "By-law" in the fourth line and deleting the rest of the section.

7. To amend SECTION 9.7 TIME LIMITS FOR SPECIAL PERMITS AND VARIANCES by striking out the period at the end of the section and adding the following:

"for a variance, and one extension for a period not to exceed one year for a special permit."

8. To amend Article 9 by adding a new section after Section 9.8 as follows:  
"SECTION 9.9 CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL OF USE VARIANCE

(a) The Board of Appeals may grant a use variance, provided statutory variance requirements are met, only on lots that conform to one or more of the following conditions:

(1) Expiration of the time limit specified for a previously granted use variance.

(2) Existence prior to January 1, 1977, of uses of the same general classification as the use variance applied for, on lots adjoining the lot in question on both sides, or, if the lot in question is a corner lot, on both the side and the rear.

(3) Existence on an adjoining lot of a use of such nuisance char-



acteristics as to render unreasonable any conforming use of the lot in question.

(4) Existence on the lot in question of a structure or structures on good repair and of appearance compatible with its vicinity which can reasonably be maintained as a visual and taxable asset only if some nonconformity of use is permitted.

(b) A use variance may be granted only if the Board of Appeals makes all of the findings required by Section 9.5 for a special permit in addition to the findings required by statute for a variance, and further subject to all of the following limitations:

(1) The extent of the use nonconformity as to floor space, bulk, number of occupants or other relevant measure shall be no greater than the minimum necessary to provide relief from the statutory hardship.

(2) the operation of the use nonconformity as to hours, noise, level of activity or other relevant ways shall be so restricted as to assure compatibility with conforming uses in the vicinity.

(3) If the use is authorized under subparagraphs (2) or (3) of paragraph (a) of this section by the prior existence of adjoining nonconformities or incompatibilities:

(i) the use nonconformity on the lot in question shall be permitted no further from such prior adjoining conditions than the width of the lot or 100 feet, whichever is less;

(ii) the use nonconformity shall be terminated within one year of the time when such adjoining conditions have been terminated, except that the Board of Appeals may grant a special permit for a further delay of not more than five years."

9. To amend SECTION 10.0 AMENDMENT in line 3 by deleting "Section 6 of".

10. To amend SECTION 10.1 VALIDITY OF ACTION TAKEN UNDER PRIOR BY-LAW in line 1 by deleting "Section 11,."

11. To amend SECTION 10.5 EFFECT OF SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENT in line 7 by deleting "Section 5 of",  
and by inserting in line 13 after the words "effective date of such an amendment" the following words: "and within six months of the issuance of the permit."

#### B. ZONING AMENDMENTS PERTAINING TO TWO-FAMILY DISTRICT REGULATIONS

12. IN SECTION 4.30 TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS, delete Use 22 and substitute:

22. Residential parking garage or parking area solely for the storage of cars of residents of other lots located within 400 feet:

a. As the sole use.

S	SC	T	M	L	G	O	I
No	No	No*	SP	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

\* Municipal parking facilities permitted by special permit.

b. As a secondary use; in T districts, such use shall be for residents within 400 feet and within the same district, and shall occupy no more than 30% of the total lot area but not within the front yard as specified in Section 6.13(e)(3).

S	SC	T	M	L	G	O	I
No	No	SP	SP	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

13. IN SECTION 5.00 TABLE OF DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS, for T-6 and T05 Districts, change minimum rear yard set back from 25 feet to 30 feet for 1-family attached dwellings.



14. IN SECTION 5.43 ATTACHED ONE-FAMILY DWELLINGS IN T DISTRICTS, delete the last line of (b) and substitute: "yards, one of which shall be at least 30 feet and one of which shall be at least 40 feet".

#### C. ZONING AMENDMENTS PERTAINING TO BICYCLE PARKING FACILITIES

15. Substitute the word "VEHICULAR" for the word "AUTOMOTIVE" in the title of Article 6.

16. At the end of SECTION 6.00 INTENT OF REQUIREMENTS

Add a new paragraph:

(f) It is further the intent of this article to encourage the use of bicycles for many types of personal travel by means of assuring the residents of multi-family residential buildings of the availability of convenient and safe places for storage of their bicycles, sheltered from precipitation, and secure against theft or vandalism of the bicycles or accessories thereon. Such facilities shall be provided in accordance with the general regulations of Section 6.10, as well as the bicycle parking space and design regulations of Section 6.14.

17. IN SECTION 6.10 GENERAL REGULATIONS APPLYING TO REQUIRED OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES following the words "Section 6.11" where they appear in paragraph (b), and twice in paragraph (b) (1), add the words: "and Section 6.14".

18. After Section 6.13, add the following new section:

#### SECTION 6.14 BICYCLE SPACE AND DESIGN REGULATIONS

(a) Spaces for off-street parking of bicycles shall be provided for the residents of each multi-family residential building in the amount of one space per five housing units or fraction thereof, not counting units having a ground floor entrance, subject to the further provisions of this section and section 6.10. The requirements of this section shall not apply to that portion of a housing development designed exclusively for elderly persons.

(b) Each bicycle parking space shall be sufficient to accommodate a bicycle at least seven feet in length and two feet wide, and shall be provided with some form of steel frame permanently anchored to a foundation, to which a bicycle frame and at least one wheel may be conveniently secured using a chain and padlock, or other easily portable bicycle lock in common usage. The separation of the bicycle parking spaces and the amount of corridor space shall be adequate for convenient access to every space when the parking facility is full. Any bicycle parking space within a structure to be used for motorized bicycles shall be subject to regulations pertaining to interior storage of gasoline.

(c) Changes in the requirements of this section, consistent with the intent of this article may be approved by the Board of Appeals for an individual building by special permit.

#### D. ZONING AMENDMENTS PERTAINING TO SIGNS

19. To amend SECTION 7.0 SIGNS IN ALL DISTRICTS by adding the following paragraph:

"(6) Signs or advertising devices not attached to the building shall not exceed 20 square feet in area of each face exclusive of posts or other structural supports and shall not exceed 12 feet in height. There shall be no more than one free-standing sign."

20. To amend SECTION 7.2 SIGNS IN M AND O DISTRICTS by deleting in the title "AND O" and by deleting in the first line the words "or O";
21. To amend SECTION 7.3 SIGNS IN L, G, AND I DISTRICTS by substituting the new title "SIGNS IN L, G, I, AND O DISTRICTS";  
 and by changing the first line to read:  
 "(a) In any L, G, I, or O District, no on-premises sign or";  
 and by changing 7.3 (a) (1) to read:  
 "(1) As permitted in S, SC, T, and M Districts."  
 and by deleting 7.3 (a)(2) and renumbering subsequent paragraphs.
22. To amend SECTION 7.4(c) ILLUMINATION by deleting "or O" in first line.

#### E. MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS

23. In SECTION 4.30 TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS, for Use 39 under I Districts, substitute "SP" for "yes".
24. In SECTION 6.11 OFF-STREET PARKING REGULATIONS, in the second line of (f) add Use "28" following "25",  
 and in the second line of (g) delete Use "28".

#### F. MAP AMENDMENT

25. To amend the Zoning Map by including within a T-5 District those lots identified in the 1976 Atlas of the Town of Brookline Plate 74 by the following block and lot numbers now zoned I-1.0.  
 Block 318: Lot 46, Lot 46A, a southerly portion of Lot 39 and 47 divided by a line parallel to and dimensioned to 50'0" of the northerly property line along Boylston Street, a southerly portion of Lot 38 and 48 divided by a line parallel to and dimensioned to 50'0" of the northerly line along Boylston Street, Lot 49, a southerly portion of Lot 36 and 50 divided by a line parallel to and dimensioned to 50'0" of the northerly property line along Boylston Street, Lots 51 through 56 and adjacent portion of Walnut Street to the centerline thereof.

or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., duly seconded, items 1 through 11 were unanimously voted.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., duly seconded, items 13 and 14 were unanimously voted.

On a motion by Bruce Young, duly seconded item 12 was defeated.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., duly seconded items 19 through 25 were unanimously voted.

On a motion by Bruce Young, duly seconded, items 15 through 18 were voted with a hand count of 120 voting yes 38 voting no and 6 abstaining. A 2/3 vote being required, the motion passed.

SECOND ARTICLE. To see if the Town will amend Articles I and II of the By-laws as follows:

- a. In Article I, Section 1, by deleting at the end of said section the words "seven days before such meeting is to be held" and substituting therefore the following "seven days before the Annual Town Meeting and fourteen days before any Special Town Meeting is to be held" so that said Section 1 shall read as follows:

Section 1 The constables or the persons to whom the Warrant calling a town meeting is directed shall give notice of such meeting by posting copies of the same in twenty public places in the town and by publication of a copy of the said Warrant in a newspaper published in the town or in the City of Boston, such posting and publication to be at least seven days before the Annual Town Meeting and fourteen days before any special Town Meeting is to be held."

or act on anything relative thereto.

b. In the first sentence of the second paragraph of Article I, Section 2, by deleting the words "January 2" and substituting therefore "December 1" and by deleting the words "said dates" and substituting therefore "the earlier of said dates or January 2", so that said paragraph 2 shall read as follows:

"All articles for insertion in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting shall be filed in the office of the Board of Selectmen not later than 12 o'clock noon on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in February with the exception of articles pertaining to zoning, which must be filed in the office of the Board of Selectmen not later than 12 o'clock noon on December 1 or the first business day thereafter, and the Selectmen shall not accept any articles from any Boards, Commissions or Departments after the earlier of said dates or January 2. An article submitted by a board, commission or department shall be deemed to be incomplete and not acceptable for insertion in the warrant unless all plans, specifications and estimates and other supporting data, as well as the explanation of the purpose of the article, are submitted prior to said deadlines. The insertion of such an article in the warrant by the Board of Selectmen shall be conclusive evidence of compliance with the condition set forth in the preceding sentence."

or act on anything relative thereto.

c. In Article II, Section 4, by deleting the words "January 2" and substituting therefore "November 1" so that said Section 4 shall read as follows:

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Selectmen to prepare and print in the Annual Town Report a table of estimates of all annual appropriations proposed to be made at the annual meeting. In order that the Selectmen may make such a table, each board or standing committee shall make out an estimate for each appropriation to be asked for, and cause the same to be handed to the Selectmen, in writing, in season for such publication, and not later than November 1 in each year, with the reasons therefore."

or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Ruth D. Dorfman, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town amend the Bylaws so that Section 1 in Article I shall read as follows:

Section 1 The constables or the persons to whom the Warrant calling a town meeting is directed shall give notice of such meeting by posting copies of the same in twenty public places in the town and by publication of a copy of the said Warrant in a newspaper published in the town or in the City of Boston, such posting and publication to be at least seven days before the Annual Town Meeting and at least fourteen days before any special Town Meeting is to be held.



On a motion by Ruth D. Dorfman, duly seconded, it was unanimously

Voted: That the Town amend the Bylaws so that Section 4 in Article II shall read as follows:

Section 4 It shall be the duty of the Selectmen to prepare and print in the Annual Town Report a table of estimates of all annual appropriations proposed to be made at the annual meeting. In order that the Selectmen may make such a table, each board or standing committee shall make out an estimate for each appropriation to be asked for, and cause the same to be handed to the Selectmen, in writing, in season for such publication, and not later than November 1, in each year, with the reasons therefor."

On a motion by Ruth D. Dorfman, duly seconded, it was by a majority

Voted: To amend Article 1 of the Town Bylaws by deleting the second paragraph of Section 2 in its entirety and substituting therefore the following:

"All articles for insertion in the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting shall be filed in the office of the Board of Selectmen according to the following schedule:

<u>Type of Article</u>	<u>Filing Deadline</u>
All Zoning Articles	12 o'clock noon on Dec. 1 or the first business day thereafter
Non-Zoning Articles submitted by boards, commissions, or departments	12 o'clock noon on Jan. 2 or the first business day thereafter
All other Articles	12 o'clock noon on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in February

An article submitted by a board, commission or department shall be deemed to be incomplete and not acceptable for insertion in the warrant unless all plans, specifications and estimates and other supporting data, as well as the explanation of the purpose of the article, are submitted prior to said deadlines. The insertion of such an article in the warrant by the Board of Selectmen shall be conclusive evidence of compliance with the condition set forth in the preceeding sentence."

THIRD ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to petition and/or approve the filing of a petition to the General Court in substantially the following form:

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO LEASE TOWN-OWNED PROPERTY FOR THIRTY YEARS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1 The Town of Brookline is hereby authorized to lease the town-owned property known as the Monmouth Street Fire Station to the Brookline Arts Center, Inc., for a period not to exceed thirty years and upon such terms and conditions as the Selectmen shall determine to be in the best interest of the town, provided, however, the term of the lease and the annual rental to be paid to the town under said lease shall be determined by a town meeting.

Section 2 This act shall take effect upon its passage

agree to raise and appropriate, transfer and to borrow a sum or sums of money, and may do or agree to do other things, with or without consideration, in aid of any project or activity planned or undertaken by the Board of Selectmen, in accordance with the recommendation and request of the Planning Board, to the same extent and subject to the same limitations as if the Board of Selectmen were a redevelopment authority. Nothing herein shall, however, alter or limit the powers and rights of the Brookline Redevelopment Authority; or of the Town or any other operating agency therein with respect to the powers and limitations in sections twenty-five to forty-four A, inclusive, of said chapter one hundred and twenty-one B.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.

or act on anything relative thereto.

On the main motion by Samuel Shaw as amended by Bruce Young, duly seconded, it was, by a teller count with 79 voting yes and 70 voting no,

Voted: That the Town petition and approve the filing of a petition to the general court in substantially the following form:

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO CONDUCT URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES WHEN RECOMMENDED AND REQUESTED BY ITS PLANNING BOARD OR BOARD OF SELECTMEN, WITHIN PORTIONS OF THE MARSH URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1 This act empowers the Town of Brookline, when recommended and requested by its Planning Board or the Board of Selectmen and when authorized by a Town Meeting, to conduct urban renewal projects and activities, as defined in G.L.C. 121B, as amended, in that block known as B-2, within the Marsh Urban Renewal Project.

Section 2 The Town of Brookline, acting through its Board of Selectmen, when recommended and requested by the Planning Board or the Board of Selectmen, shall except as herein specifically provided otherwise, be and have all the powers of an operating agency subject to the limitations provided in sections forty-five to fifty-nine, inclusive, of chapter one hundred and twenty-one B of the General Laws, and have such further powers and be subject to such further limitations as would from time to time be applicable to a redevelopment authority, as if in existence in the town; provided, however, that notwithstanding sections eleven, forty-seven and forty-eight of said chapter one hundred and twenty-one B, no urban renewal project or rehabilitation project shall be undertaken, nor shall any property be acquired for any such project by eminent domain or otherwise, until the plan for such project and any acquisitions of property by eminent domain under such plan has been approved by an annual or special town meeting; and, provided further, that borrowings are hereby authorized for an approved project under Section 7 of G.L.C. 44, as amended, for a period not to exceed 20 years. The Town of Brookline, acting under G.L.C. 44, as amended, shall not borrow or agree to borrow money without the approval of an annual or special town meeting. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the town, with the approval of an annual or special town meeting, may raise and appropriate, any transfer, may borrow,

may agree to raise and appropriate, transfer and to borrow a sum or sums of money, and may do or agree to do other things, with or without consideration, in aid of any project or activity planned or undertaken



or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Judah M. Stone, duly seconded, and as amended by Henry I. Kohn, it was by a majority

Voted: That the Town petition and approve the filing of a petition to the General Court in substantially the following form:

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO LEASE TOWN-OWNED PROPERTY FOR THIRTY YEARS.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1 The Town of Brookline is hereby authorized to lease the town-owned property known as the Monmouth Street Fire Station to the Brookline Arts Center, Inc., for a period not to exceed thirty years and upon such terms and conditions as the Selectmen shall determine to be in the best interest of the town, provided, however, the conditions and term of the lease and the annual rental to be paid to the town under said lease shall be determined by a town meeting.

Section 2 This act shall take effect upon its passage.

The above vote was passed by a majority, was so declared by the Moderator, and is so recorded.

FIFTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to petition and/or approve the filing of a petition to the General Court in substantially the following form:

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE TO CONDUCT URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES WHEN RECOMMENDED AND REQUESTED BY ITS PLANNING BOARD.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1 This act empowers the Town of Brookline, when recommended and requested by its Planning Board and when authorized by a Town Meeting, to conduct urban renewal projects and activities, as defined in G.L.C. 121B, as amended.

Section 2 The Town of Brookline, acting through its Board of Selectmen, when recommended and requested by the Planning Board, shall, except as herein specifically provided otherwise, be and have all the powers of an operating agency subject to the limitations provided in sections forty-five to fifty-nine, inclusive, or chapter one hundred and twenty-one B of the General Laws, and have such further powers and be subject to such further limitations as would from time to time be applicable to a redevelopment authority, as if in existence in the town; provided, however, that notwithstanding sections eleven, forty-seven and forty-eight of said chapter one hundred and twenty-one B, no urban renewal project or rehabilitation project shall be undertaken, nor shall any property be acquired for any such project by eminent domain or otherwise, until the plan for such project and any acquisitions of property by eminent domain under such plan has been approved by an annual or special town meeting; and, provided further, that borrowings are hereby authorized for an approved project under Section 7 of G.L.C. 44, as amended, for a period not to exceed 20 years. The Town of Brookline, acting under G.L.C. 44, as amended, shall not borrow or agree to borrow money without the approval of an annual or special town meeting. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the town, with the approval of an annual or special town meeting, may raise and appropriate, may transfer, may borrow, may



by the Board of Selectmen, to the same extent and subject to the same limitations as if the Board of Selectmen were a redevelopment authority.

Nothing herein shall, however, alter or limit the powers and rights of the Brookline Redevelopment Authority; or of the Town or any other operating agency therein with respect to the powers and limitations in sections twenty-five to forty-fourA, inclusive, of said chapter one hundred and twenty-one B.

Section 3 This act shall take effect upon passage.

On a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously:

Voted: That the next session of the Special Town Meeting be held on Thursday, November 18, 1976 at 7:30 P.M. in the High School Auditorium.

At forty-two minutes after eleven, on a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously:

Voted: To recess the meeting at 11:42 P.M. until Thursday, November 18, 1976 at half past seven in the evening at the same place.

At the close of the meeting the checkers at the entrance reported that the names of two hundred and six (206) Town Meeting Members had been checked as present at the meeting.

Recessed:

John F. Kendrick  
Town Clerk

Recessed Special Town Meeting  
November 18, 1976

In accordance with the vote passed at the Special Town Meeting on November 16, 1976, the Town Meeting Members met at the High School Auditorium on Thursday, November 18, 1976 at half past seven in the evening.

No Town Meeting Member was allowed within the rails until his name had been checked on the list.

At two minutes past eight o'clock, the checkers reported that one hundred and twenty-six (126) names of Town Meeting Members had been checked, or more than one half of all members qualified, and the Town Clerk reported a quorum was present. Carol Taggart replaced David Barrat as a checker.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Justin L. Wyner.

The Moderator announced the death of Edna Stein. All present stood for a moment of silence.

**SIXTH ARTICLE.** To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to file preapplications and applications under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, P.L. 93-383, as amended, including an application for Community Development Block Grant funds for the general programs to be undertaken in FY-1978 in the amount of \$1,180,000, as the same may be amended; and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take such other actions and file such other preapplications and applications as may be appropriate and necessary to obtain funds for these programs and such other funds for which the Town may be eligible under said Act; and to appropriate, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend, funds received or to be received by the Town from the Department of Housing and Urban Development as a result of said applications, or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Robert C. Cochrane, Jr., duly seconded, it was, by a majority

Voted: That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to file preapplications and applications under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, P.L. 93-383, as amended, including an application for Community Development Block Grant funds for the general programs to be undertaken in FY 78 in the amount of \$1,180,000, as outlined below, as the same may be amended; and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take such other actions and file such other preapplications and applications as may be appropriate and necessary to obtain funds for these programs and such other funds for which the Town may be eligible under said Act; and to appropriate, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to expend, funds received or to be received by the Town from the Department of Housing and Urban Development as a result of said applications.

1. Program Planning, Management and Evaluation	\$ 56,000
2. Central Village Rehabilitation Program	777,000
a. Housing Inspection and Rehab. Services (\$160,000)	
b. Rehab. Subsidy Fund (\$230,000)	
c. Public Improvements (\$387,000)	
3. Public Housing Modernization Program	40,000
4. Commercial Area Improvement Studies	20,000
5. Comprehensive/Area Plans	20,000
6. Youth Employment Program (C.V.)	90,000
7. Removal and Replacement - Dutch Elm Diseased Trees (C.V.)	9,000
8. Boylston Street Playground (C.V.)	45,000
9. Neighborhood Child Care Program (C.V.)	33,000
10. Free After School Activities (C.V.)	3,000
11. Commercial Area Public Improvements	50,000
	Contingency 37,000
	<u>\$1,180,000</u>

SEVENTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to submit applications, or ratify and confirm the actions of the Selectmen in submitting such applications, as the same may be amended, for the construction, renovation, repair or other improvements of local public works projects under Title 1 of the Public Works Employment Act of 1976 P.L. 94-369 entitled the "Local Public Works Capital Development and Investment Act of 1976"; to take such other actions as may be appropriate to obtain such grant or grants; to accept and expend any monies received in accordance with said applications; or to take any other action or issue any declarations with respect thereto on any one or more of the following projects:

Beacon Street Mall;  
 Boylston Playground redevelopment;  
 Lynch Recreation Center renovation;  
 Public Improvements Central Village;

or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Bruce Young, duly seconded, it was, by a majority

Voted: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to submit applications and ratify and confirm the actions of the Selectmen in submitting such applications, as the same may be amended, for the construction, renovation, repair or other improvements of local public works projects under Title 1 of the Public Works Employment Act of 1976 P.L. 94-369 entitled the "Local Public Works Capital Development and Investment Act of 1976"; to take such other actions as may be appropriate to obtain such grant or grants; to accept and expend any monies received in accordance with said applications; and to take any other action or issue any declarations with respect thereto on any one or more of the following projects:

Beacon Street Mall;  
 Boylston Playground redevelopment;  
 Lynch Recreation Center renovation;  
 Public Improvements Central Village.

EIGHTH ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to submit an application or ratify and confirm the actions of the Selectmen in submitting such application, as the same may be amended, for the construction of the Lincoln School under Title 1 of the Public Works Employment Act of 1976 P.L. 94-369 entitled the "Local Public Works Capital Development and Investment Act of 1976"; to take such other actions as may be appropriate to obtain such grant; to accept and expend any monies received in accordance with said application; or to take any other action or issue any declarations with respect thereto;

or act on anything relative thereto.

On a motion by Eleanor Myerson, duly seconded, it was by a majority

Voted: That the Town authorize the Selectmen to submit an application and ratify and confirm the actions of the Selectmen in submitting such application, as the same may be amended, for the construction of the Lincoln School under Title 1 of the Public Works Employment Act of 1976 P.L. 94-369 entitled the "Local Public Works Capital Development and Investment Act of 1976"; to take such other actions as may be appropriate to obtain such grants; to accept and expend any monies received in accordance with said applications; and to take any other action or issue any declarations with respect thereto.

FIFTEENTH ARTICLE. To hear and act upon the Reports of Town Officers and Committees.



On a motion by MacDonald Barr, duly seconded, it was by a majority voted:

Resolved: That the Town Meeting urges the use of the Comprehensive Plan for Brookline as a guide by any agencies of the Town whose programs affect the accomplishment of the recommended goals and policies. Toward this end, the Town Meeting thereby endorses the concept of a biennial review of the Comprehensive Plan including a report to the Town on the status of each "major program action/proposal" listed in the plan as either currently underway or projected for the short range, to be published as an addendum to the Plan.

On a motion by Eleanor Myerson, duly seconded, it was voted by a majority to accept the Housing Study Committee report.

On a motion by Allan Sidd, duly seconded, it was voted by a majority to accept the report of Town officers on a feasibility study of an accelerated cleaning and lining water program.

On a joint resolution by the Board of Selectmen, Park and Recreation Commission and School Committee as amended by Brian Conry it was voted:

Resolved: It is the sense of this Town Meeting that the Selectmen waive, with regard to the feasibility study funding request be presented to a Town Meeting.

The study, to be conducted in accordance with provisions of Article XV-A of the Town Bylaws, would be to determine what steps should be taken to improve that facility for the following uses:

1. Brookline High School interscholastic programs in football, lacrosse, and track, which would accommodate approximately 225 young men and women over a period of 154 days a year.
2. Park and Recreation programs, which include games of low organization, athletic games and contests, apparatus play, and special events, which accommodate 2625 youngsters from the Town over a fifteen-week period in the spring and summer.
3. This Town Meeting urges that the firm conducting such feasibility study work closely and regularly with the Point Neighborhood Association.

At thirty-seven minutes past ten o'clock it was unanimously:

Voted: That this Special Town Meeting be dissolved.

At the close of the meeting the checkers reported the names of one hundred and eighty-five (185) Town Meeting Members had been checked as present at this meeting.

Dissolved:

John F. Kendrick  
Town Clerk

## TOWN OF BROOKLINE

## FISCAL 1977 ANNUAL TOWN REPORT

## PART II

## Comptroller's Report

July 1, 1976 - June 30, 1977

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COMPTROLLER'S REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1977

Frank E. Mauritz

Brookline, Mass.  
November 15, 1977

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

In compliance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 61, I herewith submit to you the seventy-sixth annual report for the Comptroller's Department.

An analysis of the accounts of the Town Treasurer and Collector is submitted in Schedule A which summarizes his accounts as Town Collector and Schedule G recording an analysis of his receipts as Town Treasurer. His accounts as Treasurer of the various Trust Funds have been recorded on the books of the Comptroller and the securities and savings accounts have been checked and found to be in accordance with the accompanying Schedule I. This examination included the securities and savings accounts of the Brookline Retirement System as set forth in Schedule N.

Details of the financial transactions of the Town are set forth in the accompanying schedules:

- A - Summary of Collector's Accounts
- B - Balance Sheet
- C - Special Assessment Revenue Not Due
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- M - Assessed Valuation of Town Property
- N - Brookline Retirement System

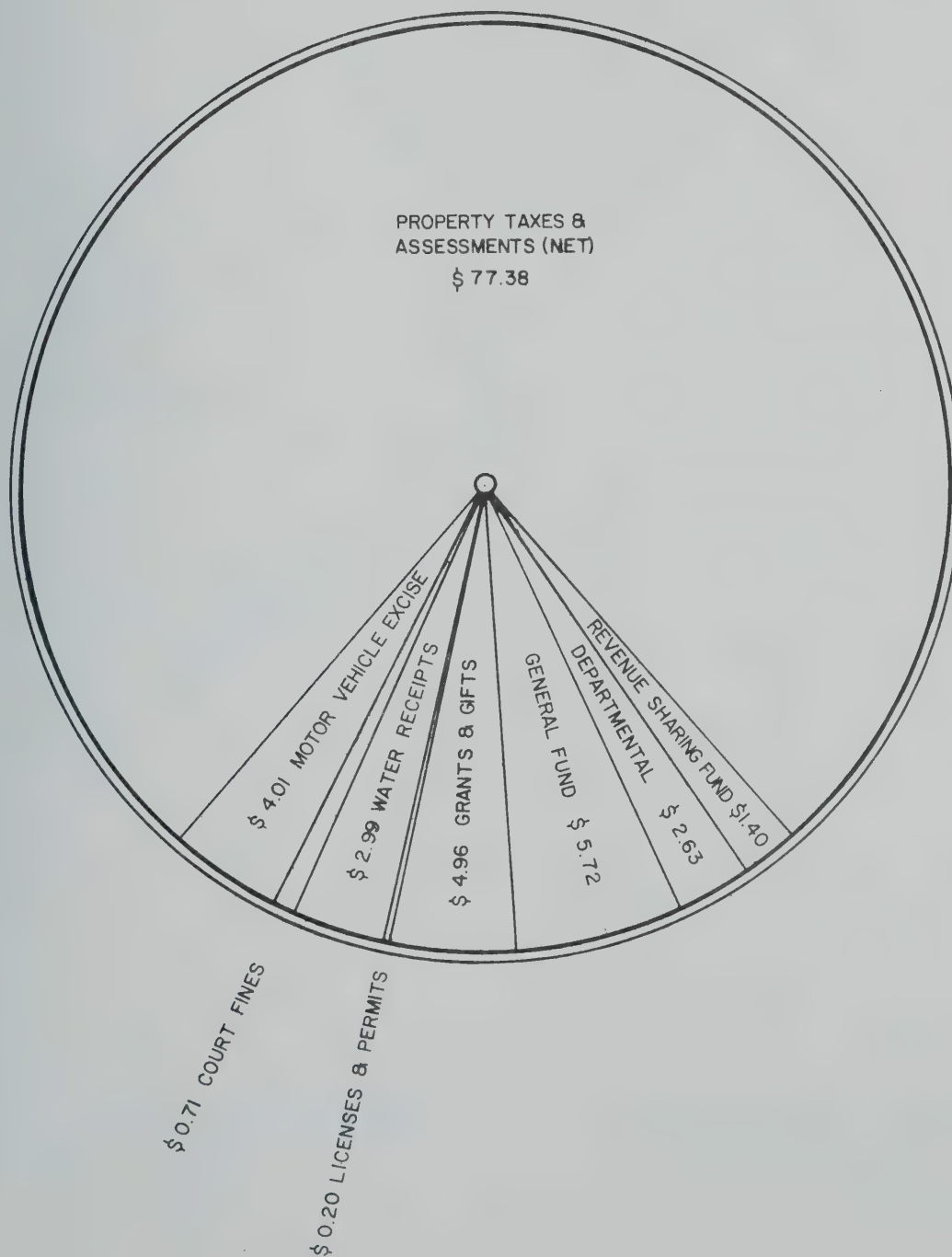
Respectfully submitted,  
FRANK E. MAURITZ,  
Comptroller



# BROOKLINE, MASS, F.Y. 1977

TOTAL RECEIPTS      \$50,169,369.01

HOW EACH \$100 WAS RECEIVED



FRANK E. MAURITZ  
COMPTROLLER

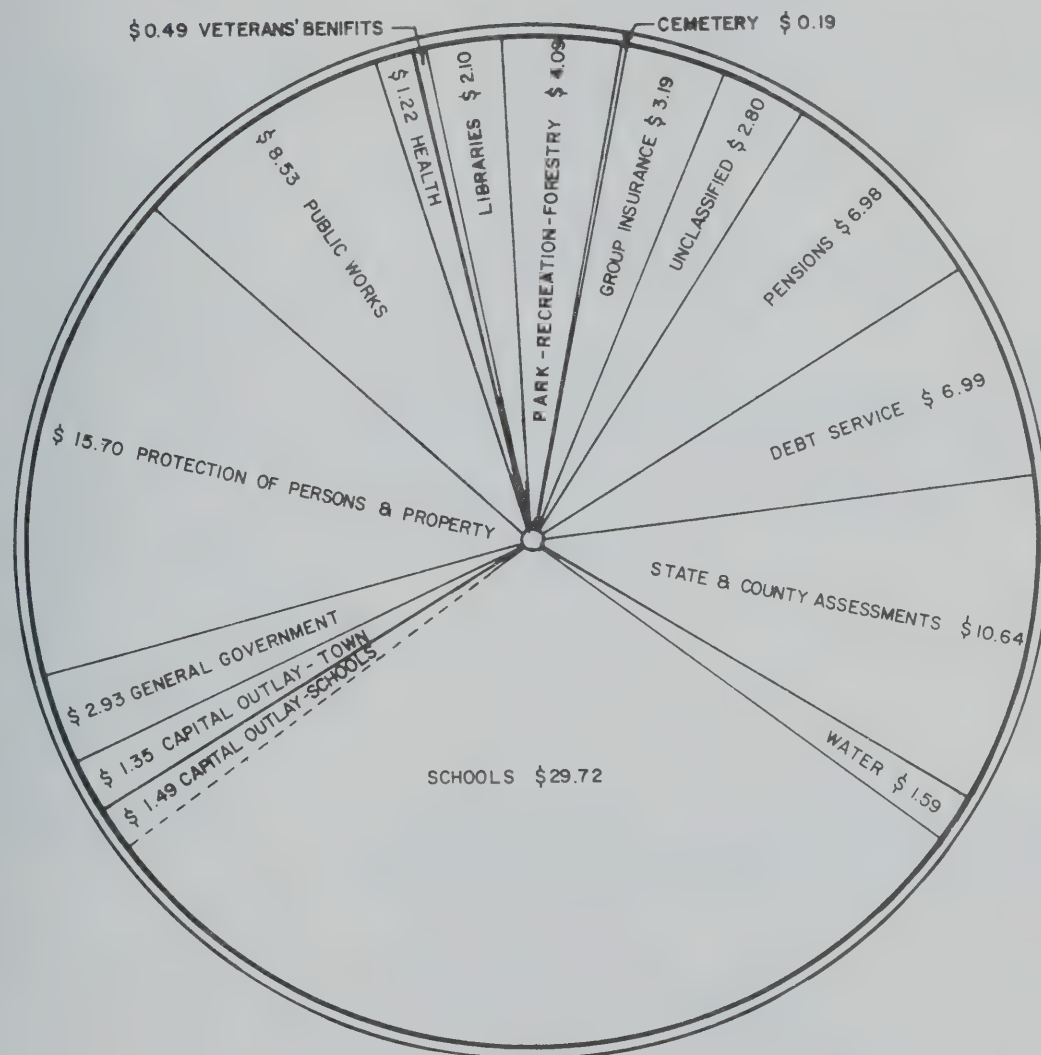




# BROOKLINE, MASS., F.Y. 1977

## TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$49,821,025.01

### HOW EACH \$100 WAS EXPENDED



TAX RATE

\$89.00

ASSESSED VALUATION

\$450,956,700.00

FUNDED DEBT

\$16,462,000.00

POPULATION

53,150

FRANK E. MAURITZ  
COMPTROLLER





## SCHEDULE A

## Summary of Collectors Accounts

	<u>Tax Levy of 1977</u>		
	Real Estate	Personal Property	Total
Commitment	\$ 38,351,354.90	\$ 1,783,791.40	\$ 40,135,146.30
Real Estate Taxes 1976 reported as Real Estate Taxes 1977	2,184.00		2,184.00
Interest on taxes reported as Real Estate Taxes 1977	383.69		383.69
Water Liens 1977 reported as Real Estate 1977	29.70		29.70
Abatements Rescinded	890.00		890.00
Personal Property Taxes 1977 Reported as Real Estate Taxes 1977	16,072.90		16,072.90
Refunds	227,502.94	400.50	227,903.44
	<u>\$ 38,598,418.13</u>	<u>\$ 1,784,191.90</u>	<u>\$ 40,382,610.03</u>
Payments to Treasurer	\$ 36,602,070.22	\$ 1,724,940.64	\$ 38,327,010.86
Abatements	732,932.06	9,086.90	742,018.96
Deferred Real Estate Taxes	11,988.30		11,988.30
Tax Titles	311.50		311.50
Real Estate Taxes 1977 reported as Water Rates	24.20		24.20
Real Estate Taxes 1977 reported as Water Liens 1977	13.75		13.75
Personal Property Taxes 1977 Reported as Real Estate Taxes 1977		16,072.90	16,072.90
Outstanding June 30, 1977	1,251,078.10	34,091.46	1,285,169.56
	<u>\$ 38,598,418.13</u>	<u>\$ 1,784,191.90</u>	<u>\$ 40,382,610.03</u>

	<u>Tax Levy of 1976</u>		
	Real Estate	Personal Property	Total
Outstanding July 1, 1976	\$ 1,114,202.27	\$ 46,815.90	\$ 1,161,018.17
Interest credited to Real Estate Taxes 1976	1.00		1.00
Tax Title Redemption reported as Real Estate Taxes 1976	42,840.00		42,840.00
Abatement Adjusted		126.00	126.00
Refunds	179,567.84		179,567.84
Check returned - Insufficient Funds	375.00		375.00
	<u>\$ 1,336,986.11</u>	<u>\$ 46,941.90</u>	<u>\$ 1,383,928.01</u>



## SCHEDULE A (CONT'D.)

## Summary of Collectors Accounts

	<u>Tax Levy of 1976</u>		
	Real Estate	Personal Property	Total
Payments	\$ 796,677.69	\$ 27,743.70	\$ 824,421.39
Abatements	181,053.60	3,007.20	184,060.80
Tax Titles	116,477.20		116,477.20
Real Estate Taxes 1976 reported as Real Estate Taxes 1977	2,184.00		2,184.00
Outstanding June 30, 1977	240,593.62	16,191.00	256,784.62
	<u>1,336,986.11</u>	<u>46,941.90</u>	<u>1,383,928.01</u>

	<u>Tax Levy of 1975</u>		
	Real Estate	Personal Property	Total
Outstanding July 1, 1976	\$ 168,348.46	\$ 17,936.00	\$ 186,284.46
Tax Title redemption reported as Real Estate Taxes 1975	6,072.28		6,072.28
Refunds	135,291.92	80.00	135,371.92
	<u>309,712.66</u>	<u>18,016.00</u>	<u>327,728.66</u>
Payments	123,023.44	6,540.00	129,563.44
Abatements	135,234.56	892.00	136,126.56
Tax Titles	48,704.49		48,704.49
Water Liens 1975 reported as Real Estate Taxes 1975	75.25		75.25
Outstanding June 30, 1977	2,674.92	10,584.00	13,258.92
	<u>309,712.66</u>	<u>18,016.00</u>	<u>327,728.66</u>

	<u>Tax Levy of 1974</u>		
	Real Estate	Personal Property	Total
Outstanding July 1, 1976	\$ 16,714.38	\$ 5,183.00	\$ 21,897.38
Refunds	38,359.02		38,359.02
	<u>55,073.40</u>	<u>5,183.00</u>	<u>60,256.40</u>
Payments	15,844.80	930.75	16,775.55
Abatements	38,359.02		38,359.02
Tax Titles	869.58		869.58
Outstanding June 30, 1977	-	4,252.25	4,252.25
	<u>55,073.40</u>	<u>5,183.00</u>	<u>60,256.40</u>





## SCHEDULE A (CONT'D.)

## Summary of Collectors Accounts

	<u>Tax Levy of 1973</u>		
	Real Estate	Personal Property	Total
Outstanding July 1, 1976	\$ 1,606.00	\$ 9,060.33	\$ 10,666.33
Refunds	1,971.00		1,971.00
	<u>3,577.00</u>	<u>9,060.33</u>	<u>12,637.33</u>
Payments	1,606.00	422.00	2,028.00
Abatements	1,971.00	219.00	2,190.00
Outstanding June 30, 1977	-	8,419.33	8,419.33
	<u>3,577.00</u>	<u>9,060.33</u>	<u>12,637.33</u>

	<u>Tax Levy of 1972</u>		
	Real Estate	Personal Property	Total
Outstanding July 1, 1976	858.00	643.50	1,501.50
Abatement of Tax Title Account recorded as Real Estate Taxes 1972	715.00		715.00
Refund	1,930.50		1,930.50
	<u>3,503.50</u>	<u>643.50</u>	<u>4,147.00</u>
Payments	1,573.00		1,573.00
Abatements	1,930.50		1,930.50
Outstanding June 30, 1977		643.50	643.50
	<u>3,503.50</u>	<u>643.50</u>	<u>4,147.00</u>

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES - LEVIES OF

	<u>1968</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>
Outstanding July 1, 1976 and June 30, 1977	<u>41.50</u>	<u>49.00</u>	<u>501.50</u>	<u>476.25</u>

DEFERRED REAL ESTATE TAXES

Outstanding July 1, 1976	6,916.00	
Real Estate Taxes 1977 Deferred	<u>11,988.30</u>	
Outstanding June 30, 1977		<u>18,904.30</u>
		<u>18,904.30</u>





## SCHEDULE A (CONT'D.)

MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE

	<u>LEVIES OF</u>		
	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>
Outstanding July 1, 1976		491,667.28	243,058.10
Commitments	1,497,948.89	765,484.25	60,966.10
Motor Vehicle Excise 1974 reported as 1977	33.83		
Check returned - insufficient Funds		26.40	62.70
Refunds of Motor Vehicle Excise 1975 reported as 1974			265.48
Motor Vehicle Excise 1973 reported as 1976		23.10	
Motor Vehicle Excise 1975 reported as 1976		54.50	
Refund of Motor Vehicle Excise 1976 reported as 1975		2,386.40	
Refunds	4,601.69	11,163.75	3,412.54
	<u>1,502,584.41</u>	<u>1,270,805.68</u>	<u>307,764.92</u>
Payments	896,383.25	870,131.85	44,180.35
Abatements	101,566.54	129,195.29	8,880.19
Motor Vehicle Excise 1975 reported as 1976			54.50
Refund of Motor Vehicle 1976 reported as 1975			2,386.40
Adjustment of Commitment		.03	
Outstanding June 30, 1977	504,634.62	271,478.51	252,263.48
	<u>1,502,584.41</u>	<u>1,270,805.68</u>	<u>307,764.92</u>
	<u>LEVIES OF</u>		
	<u>1974</u>	<u>1973</u>	<u>1972</u>
Outstanding July 1, 1976	235,709.71	189,517.34	98,306.91
Commitments	2,265.37		
Check returned - insufficient funds	53.75		
Refunds	374.98	29.10	
	<u>238,403.81</u>	<u>189,546.44</u>	<u>98,306.91</u>
Payments	32,434.23	11,148.01	2,639.39
Abatements	3,568.26	571.18	78,091.34
Refund of Motor Vehicle Excise 1975 reported as 1974	265.48		
Motor Vehicle Excise 1974 Reported as 1977	33.83		
Motor Vehicle Excise 1973 Reported as 1976		23.10	
Outstanding June 30, 1977	202,102.01	177,804.15	17,576.18
	<u>238,403.81</u>	<u>189,546.44</u>	<u>98,306.91</u>



## SCHEDULE A (CONT'D.)

	LEVIES OF			
	1971	1970	1969	1968
Outstanding July 1, 1976	46,882.10	4,185.19	2,438.73	241.58
Payments	315.08	500.22	449.65	147.95
Abatements	36,531.23	712.26	286.83	16.50
Outstanding June 30, 1977	10,035.79	2,972.71	1,702.25	77.13
	46,882.10	4,185.19	2,438.73	241.58

APPORTIONED STREET BETTERMENTS - NOT DUEPAID IN ADVANCE

Commitments	670.18
Payments	670.18

APPORTIONED STREET BETTERMENTS

	LEVIES OF		
	1977	1976	Total
Outstanding July 1, 1976		48.64	48.64
Commitment	4,465.92		4,465.92
Refund	23.12		23.12
	4,489.04	48.64	4,537.68
Payments	4,351.84		4,351.84
Tax Titles	48.64	48.64	97.28
Outstanding June 30, 1977	88.56	-	88.56
	4,489.04	48.64	4,537.68

APPORTIONED STREET BETTERMENTS - COMMITTED INTEREST

	LEVIES OF		
	1977	1976	Total
Outstanding July 1, 1976		17.51	17.51
Commitment	1,325.72		1,325.72
Refund	2.77		2.77
	1,328.49	17.51	1,346.00
Payments	1,284.59		1,284.59
Tax Titles	15.56	17.51	33.07
Outstanding June 30, 1977	28.34		28.34
	1,328.49	17.51	1,346.00





## SCHEDULE A (CONT'D.)

APPORTIONED WATER MAINS - 1977

Commitment	74.49
Payment	<u>74.49</u>

APPORTIONED WATER MAINS - COMMITTED INTEREST - 1977

Commitment	2.98
Payment	<u>2.98</u>

UNAPPORTIONED SEWER CHARGES

Outstanding July 1, 1976		
Commitments	172.62	
	690.92	
Payments	690.62	863.54
Outstanding June 30, 1977	172.62	<u>863.54</u>

WATER LIENS ADDED TO TAXES

	<u>Levies of</u>			
	1977	1976	1975	Total
Outstanding July 1, 1976		7,251.79	991.90	8,243.69
Commitments	176,243.26			76,243.26
Real Estate Taxes 1977 reported as Water Liens 1977	13.75			13.75
Tax Title redemption reported as Water Liens 1976		2,635.50		2,635.50
Water Liens 1975 reported as Real Estate Taxes 1975			75.25	75.25
Refunds	2,604.25			2,604.25
	<u>178,861.26</u>	<u>9,887.29</u>	<u>1,067.15</u>	<u>189,815.70</u>
Payments	167,969.66	4,705.19	904.40	173,579.25
Tax Titles		3,690.75	162.75	3,853.50
Water Liens 1977 reported as Real Estate Taxes 1977	29.70			29.70
Outstanding June 30, 1977	10,861.90	1,491.35	-	12,353.25
	<u>178,861.26</u>	<u>9,887.29</u>	<u>1,067.15</u>	<u>189,815.70</u>





SCHEDULE A (CONT'D.)

DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

DEPARTMENTS	Outstanding July 1, 1976	Commit- ments	Debit Adjust- ments	Refunds	Collections	Abatements	Liens	Credit Adjust- ments	Outstanding June 30, 1977
Board of Assessors	5,997.19	24,917.56			21,663.00				9,251.75
Comptroller		1,343.92			1,343.92				
Fire	123.50	2,824.58			2,948.08				
Forestry	380.00								380.00
Highway	2,257.22	18,544.45			16,080.72	580.25		40.50	4,100.20
Library	66.33	244.72			238.62				72.43
Park	2,298.90	1,552.00			2,877.50	30.00		200.00	743.40
Police Private -									
Details	17,600.75	158,689.97	30.00	35.00	158,004.98	995.50			17,325.24
Police - Others	1,355.47					1,355.47			
Schools	17,184.83	57,859.36		2,471.25	54,605.20	15,349.45			7,590.79
Selectmen	950.00	6,830.00			5,725.00				2,055.00
Sewer Damages									
and Repair	176.58				176.58				
Veterans Services	22,222.63	263,220.62			210,395.69			24,736.57	50,310.99
Water:									
Rates	309,829.15	1,546,521.90	134.90	636.45	1,309,509.37	6,116.25	176,072.58		365,424.20
Charges	4,886.18	18,926.81			19,380.52	102.59	185.53	174.48	3,969.87
Aid to Highways:									
Chapter 90 -									
State	159,158.15	119,089.00			110,376.95	54,808.11			113,062.09
County	25,147.94				399.99				24,747.95
	569,634.82	2,220,564.89	164.90	3,142.70	1,913,726.12	79,337.62	176,258.11	25,151.55	599,033.91



TOWN OF BROOKLINE  
BALANCE SHEET - JUNE 30, 1977  
GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash:			
General	\$ 4,171,967.97		
Federal Grants:			
Code Enforcement	455.08		
Code Enforcement - Escrow	1,217.00		
Comprehensive Planning Assistance	15,480.16		
Community Development Block Grant	7,420.14		
Community Development Block Grant Escrow	130,052.60		
Revenue Sharing Trust Fund	44,819.72		
Investments:			
Revenue	500,000.00		
Revenue Sharing Trust Fund	200,410.96	\$ 5,071,823.63	
Accounts Receivable:			
Taxes:			
Levy of 1968:			
Personal Property	41.50		
Levy of 1969:			
Personal Property	49.00		
Levy of 1970:			
Personal Property	501.50		
Levy of 1971:			
Personal Property	476.25		
Levy of 1972:			
Personal Property	643.50		
Levy of 1973:			
Personal Property	8,419.33		
Levy of 1974:			
Personal Property	4,252.25		
Levy of 1975:			
Personal Property	10,584.00		
Real Estate	2,674.92		
Levy of 1976:			
Personal Property	16,191.00		
Real Estate	240,593.62		
Levy of 1977:			
Personal Property	34,091.46		
Real Estate	1,251,078.10		
		1,569,596.43	
Special Real Estate Taxes - 1968:			
G.L. Chapter 143-Section 9		23,490.36	
Deferred Real Estate Taxes		18,904.30	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:			
Levy of 1968	77.13		
Levy of 1969	1,702.25		
Levy of 1970	2,972.71		
Levy of 1971	10,035.79		
Levy of 1972	17,576.18		
Levy of 1973	177,804.15		
Levy of 1974	202,102.01		
Levy of 1975	252,263.48		
Levy of 1976	271,478.51		
Levy of 1977	504,634.62		
		1,440,646.83	
Tax Titles and Possessions:			
Tax Titles	145,887.61		
Tax Possessions	6,114.12		
		152,001.73	
Special Assessments:			
Street Betterments-1977	88.56		
Street Betterments - Committed Interest-1977	28.34		
Unapportioned Sewer Charges	172.62		
		289.52	
Departmental:			
Assessors	9,251.75		
Forestry	380.00		
Highway	4,100.20		
Library	72.43		
Park	743.40		
Police Private Details	17,325.24		
Schools	7,590.79		
Selectmen	2,055.00		
Veterans	50,310.99		
		91,829.80	

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Guarantee Deposits:			
Sale of Town Owned Property	\$ 1,040.00		
Tax Possessions	410.00		
No Parking Signs	776.00		
Engineering Plans	840.00		
		\$ 3,066.00	
Agency:			
Reserve for Accounts Payable-Town	175,090.32		
Reserve for Teachers Salaries	71,331.31		
Reserve for Accounts Payable-School	321,317.63		
School-Book and Art Material Recoveries	6,265.55		
Forestry-Tree Planting	51.50		
Cemetery Perpetual Care	262.50		
Employees Group Trust Fund	91,516.58		
Elderly Group Insurance Fund	687.58		
Advance Payment for Group Insurance	2,217.70		
Advance Payment for Medicare	56,058.30		
Miscellaneous	255.01		
		725,053.98	
Tailings		16,580.43	
Trust Fund:			
Cemetery Perpetual Care		7,766.25	
Gifts and Grants:			
Federal:			
Code Enforcement Program	455.08		
Code Enforcement Escrow	1,217.00		
Community Development Block Grant	7,420.14		
Community Development Block Grant-Escrow	130,052.60		
New Perspective Schools	4,625.18		
Comprehensive Planning Assistance	15,480.16		
School:			
Aid to Education P.L. 874	127,148.36		
Operation Head Start	870.95		
Elementary and Secondary Education Act-Title I	1,484.14		
Vocational Education Services-Child Care P.L. 92-318	4,748.34		
Performing Arts Title III	15,862.53		
Metco Program P.L. 89-10	42,058.80		
Vocational Education (Odwin)	305.96		
Metco Research Services	10,203.50		
School Library Title II	1,564.66		
Recreation Program for Handicapped Children P.L. 91-230	61,538.34		
State:			
School:			
Sex Discrimination Chapt. 622	3,667.01		
Academically Talented Pupils-Ch. 651-1964	2,458.32		
Emergency School Aid	144,367.48		
Health Nutrition Grant	4,720.00		
New Perspective School	707.00		
Police Planning Research	315.42		
Multi-Service Center for the Aged	18,771.98		





Water:		
Liens - 1976	\$ 1,491.35	
Liens - 1977	10,861.90	
Charges	3,969.87	
Rates	365,424.20	
		\$ 381,747.32
Aid to Highways-Chapter 90:		
State	113,062.09	
County	24,747.95	
		137,810.04
Loans Authorized:		
Marsh Project-Brookline		
Redevelopment Authority	450,000.00	
Land Acquisition -		
St. Dominic School		
Property	155,000.00	605,000.00
Judgment		1,576.00
Underestimates:		
Special Education	7,020.00	
Metropolitan Area Planning		
Council	.02	
Metropolitan Bay Transit		
Authority	17,377.59	
County Hospital	95,783.41	
		120,181.02
Overlay Deficits:		
Levy of 1972	1,930.50	
Levy of 1973	2,190.00	
Levy of 1974	38,359.02	
Levy of 1975	136,126.56	
Levy of 1976	182,042.16	
		360,648.24
Revenue - 1978		43,153,035.91
Appropriation Authorized from		
Federal Grant:		
Revenue Sharing Trust Fund		1,100,000.00
Vacation Advances - 1978		21,209.14
Overdraft - Snow Removal		
G.L. Chapter 44, Section 31D		64,193.85

Private:	
Danforth Foundation	
Moral Education	\$ 20,272.76
Brookline Early	
Education Project	54,993.50
Cincinnati Fund -	
Social Studies	226.92
Harvard Grant	2,376.75
Peace Corp.	
Training	200.00
Tutoring Assistance	184.79
P. Simons-Lt. Gutman	1,346.34
Magnet Program -	
Boston University	25,743.79
Educational Facilities	
Laboratory Study	2,500.00
Mass.General Hospital	
Special Class Teachers	4,169.53
M.I.T. Grant-Institute	
Training	1,800.00
Others:	
Garden Club Grant	160.00
Committee on Urban	
Responsibility	325.00
Conservation Committee	
Ford Foundation	
Boston Metropolitan	
Planning Project	
Human Relations-	
Youth Resources	218.57
New Perspective	
School-Cash Match	767.03
Library Extension	900.00
	\$ 716,227.93

Revolving Funds:	
School Lunch	45,525.77
School Athletics	1,87.66
School Private Details	1,057.43
Police Private Details	6,669.65
Private Details-Others	4.32
Mass.Bicentennial	
Development Act	183.97
	54,528.80
Annual Appropriation	
Control - 1978	43,762,439.00
Special Revenue Appro-	
priation Control	
1978	2,229,328.16
	45,991,767.16

Appropriation Balances	
Revenue:	
General	25,199.59
Special	693,990.62

Non-Revenue	
Land Acquisition-	
Coolidge Corner	1,355.22
Fire Station-	
Babcock Street	909.43
Land Acquisition-	
Park School	11,794.80
Lawrence School -	
Construction	22,372.53
Addition to Main	
Library	29,759.05
Repairs, Remodeling	
& Reconstruction -	
Main Library	86,503.29
Addition to Coolidge	
Corner Library	2,046.16
Repairs, Remodeling	
and Reconstruction-	
Coolidge Corner	
Library	260.71
Coolidge Corner-	
Parking Lot	1,705.85
Pierce School	
Construction	171,724.58
Underground Garage	
Construction	42,428.87
Equipment Lawrence	
School	1,993.30





Pedestrian Bridge-Village	432.52	
Solid Waste Transfer Station	98,553.08	
Devotion School Construction	278,845.53	\$ 1,469,875.13

Loans Authorized and Unissued		605,000.00
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Overestimates - 1977		
Boston Metropolitan District Expense	.01	
Metropolitan Air Pollution District	170.62	
Metropolitan Park	44,291.04	
Metropolitan Sewerage	11,028.08	
Metropolitan Water	11,420.20	
County Tax	57,067.23	123,977.18

Receipts Reserved for Appropriation:		
Parking Meter Fees	69,968.50	
Sale of Lots and Graves	2,125.00	
Miscellaneous Sales Cemetery	7,100.59	
Aid to Public Libraries	2,077.13	
Sale of Real Estate Fund	1,867.75	
Federal Revenue Sharing Fund	245,230.68	328,369.65

Overlay - Levy of 1977		46,882.74
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Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Special Real Estate Tax	23,490.36	
Deferred Real Estate Tax	18,904.30	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	1,440,646.83	
Tax Title and Possession	152,001.73	
Special Assessment	289.52	
Departmental	91,829.80	
Water	381,747.32	
Aid to Highways	137,810.04	2,246,719.96

Excess and Deficiency	1,978,168.97	
	<u>\$54,313,984.12</u>	

# DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt		
Inside Debt Limit General	4,977,000.00	
Outside Debt Limit General	10,865,000.00	
Public Utilities	620,000.00	11,485,000.00

Serial Issues:		
Inside Debt Limit:		
Fire Station-		
Babcock Street	55,000.00	
Sewers and Drains	1,542,000.00	
Schools, Including Land Acquisition	355,000.00	
Libraries	1,635,000.00	
Parking Lots - Coolidge Corner	115,000.00	
Underground Garage	585,000.00	
Pedestrian Bridge-Village	225,000.00	
Solid Waste Transfer Station	495,000.00	4,977,000.00

Outside Debt Limit		
Schools and Gymnasium	10,550,000.00	
Water Mains	620,000.00	
Urban Renewal Marsh Project	315,000.00	11,485,000.00
		<u>\$16,462,000.00</u>



DEFERRED REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Apportioned Betterment  
Assessments - Not Due  
Street

28,006.47

Apportioned Betterment  
Assessment Revenue:  
Street - Due in 1978-88

28,006.47

SUSPENDED REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Suspended Assessments:  
Water Mains

1,281.60

Suspended Revenue:  
Water Mains

1,281.60

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Accounts:  
In Custody of Town Treasurer

694,638.44

Trust Funds:

Public Safety Committee  
Stephen E. Train  
Health Center

1,656.7

92,096.44

School Funds:

Mabel Prescott Bailey 5,125.56  
John A. Curtin 5,580.18  
Payson Dana 4,973.58  
Abbie W. Dean 10,443.89  
Charles W. Holtzer 19,727.36  
J. Murray Kay 1,126.24  
William H. Lincoln-  
Medal 2,599.03  
William H. Lincoln-  
Scholarship 21,042.87  
D. Blakely Hoar 12,264.88  
Katherine B. Shick 10,470.23  
Sumner E. Shikes 1,239.62  
Marion E. Thomas  
Advance Study 26,200.61  
Edward Fredkin 4,899.33  
Frederick Memorial 5,014.13  
Mortimer C. Grynish  
Scholarship 5,418.17  
Arthur W. Murray  
School Library 611.75

136,737.43

Library Funds:

Alice W. Bancroft 1,164.02  
Cabel Davis Bradlee 1,189.95  
Leon R. Eyges 16,722.26  
General Fund: 1,552.49  
Isabella Stewart  
Gardner 6,073.91  
John L. Gardner -  
1871 11,217.84  
John L. Gardner -  
1924 22,294.41  
Martin L. Hall 5,913.17  
John Emory Hoar 675.62  
Louisa M. Hooper 5,498.29  
Frances Emily Hunt 6,841.99  
D. Blakely Hoar 31,533.65  
Sidney L. Kay 275.42  
Historical Book  
Conservation 10,172.04

121,125.06

Tree and Forestry:

Arthur W. and  
Frances G. Blake 3,882.52  
James H. Bowditch 5,695.65  
James D. Warren 1,420.98  
D. Blakely Hoar  
Memorial 1,189.27  
D. Blakely Hoar  
Tree Planting 20,426.65

32,615.07

Stabilization Fund

20,238.75

Cemetery Perpetual Care  
Fund

272,571.67

D. Blakely Hoar Memorial  
Bird Sanctuary Fund

10,998.36

Conservation Fund

5,598.97

\$694,638.44

\$694,638.44

*Frank E. Murphy*  
Comptroller





SCHEDULE CSPECIAL ASSESSMENT REVENUE - NOT DUE

<u>DUE</u>	<u>STREET BETTERMENTS</u>
1977-78	\$ 4,370.18
1978-79	4,370.18
1979-80	3,814.95
1980-81	3,814.95
1981-82	3,814.95
1982-83	3,814.95
1983-84	3,814.95
1984-85	47.84
1985-86	47.84
1986-87	47.84
1987-88	47.84
	<u>28,006.47</u>

SCHEDULE DChanges in Town Debt - Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1977

Outstanding July 1, 1976	\$19,048,000.00
Deduct:	
Urban Renewal	\$ 45,000.00
Schools and Sites	1,420,000.00
Public Buildings and Sites	665,000.00
Public Facilities	160,000.00
Water, Sewers and Drains	296,000.00
	2,586,000.00
Outstanding June 30, 1977	<u>\$16,462,000.00</u>

Note: In addition to the outstanding debt shown in this schedule, the following unissued loans have been authorized:

Marsh Project	\$ 450,000.00
Land Acquisition -	
St. Dominic School Property	<u>155,000.00</u>
	<u>\$ 605,000.00</u>





SCHEDULE E  
CLASSIFIED STATEMENT OF FUNDED DEBT  
June 30, 1977

Due	URBAN RENEWAL		SCHOOLS AND SITES		PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND SITES		SEWERS AND DRAINS		WATER		TOTAL	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
1977/78	45,000	12,150	1,415,000	494,940	630,000	130,070	286,000	104,089	2,376,000		741,249	
1978/79	45,000	10,350	1,370,000	429,495	630,000	101,270	275,000	90,360	2,320,000		631,475	
1979/80	45,000	8,550	1,365,000	364,785	625,000	72,542	261,000	76,913	2,296,000		522,790	
1980/81	45,000	6,750	1,290,000	301,305	360,000	44,319	250,000	63,705	1,945,000		416,079	
1981/82	45,000	4,950	1,230,000	242,145	205,000	32,444	250,000	50,580	1,730,000		330,119	
1982/83	20,000	3,600	1,230,000	184,275	195,000	24,083	245,000	37,562	1,690,000		249,520	
1983/84	20,000	2,700	1,185,000	127,080	155,000	16,663	205,000	25,479	1,565,000		171,922	
1984/85	20,000	1,800	1,065,000	72,000	155,000	9,998	190,000	14,540	1,430,000		98,338	
1985/86	15,000	1,013	580,000	20,520	155,000	3,332	150,000	5,065	900,000		29,930	
1986/87	15,000	337	175,000	3,938			20,000	450	210,000		4,725	
	315,000	52,200	10,905,000	2,240,483	3,110,000	434,721	2,132,000	468,743	16,462,000		3,196,147	



## SCHEDULE F

## STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR ENDING, JUNE 30, 1977

T R A N S F E R S							
	Balances From 1976	1977 Appropriations	Various	To Res. for Accts. Pay.	Total Disbursements	Unencumbered Balances Closed Out	Balances to 1978
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
Selectmen-Administration		170,151.	16,304.69		173,708.33	12,179.91	567.45
Selectmen-Personnel Office		56,725.	1,627.00		56,012.25	2,339.75	
Advisory Committee		2,950.	2,070.00		2,447.20	2,572.80	
Purchasing	1,992.11	78,978.	4,003.20	1,624.91	79,590.95	2,143.51	1,613.94
Legal	715.00	105,644.	1,712.29 ) 40,131.68A)	715.00	145,755.52	81.90	1,650.55
Board of Assessors	396.96	102,797.	2,244.18		105,276.16	161.98	
Town Clerk	2,517.38	72,788.	( 3,655.90)	1,314.58	67,848.14	222.01	2,264.75
Registrars of Voters	1,797.31	59,530.	7,068.00	1,767.76	64,413.31	1,563.36	650.88
Elections	3,026.83	83,330.		2,764.17	79,111.13	4,481.53	
Comptroller-Accounting	20.00	88,803	3,352.00 ) 3,031.00A)	20.00	94,517.24	668.76	
"	1,858.61	103,945.	2,733.00	1,858.61	105,498.23	1,179.77	
"	16,063.38	3,489,729	36,089.00 ) 2,500.00A)	16,063.38	3,478,263.03	50,054.97	
Treasurer and Collector	1,528.73	120,622.	5,622.86	174.00	126,266.40	1,333.19	
Planning Department	1,285.25	118,534.	3,461.08	590.57	118,174.72	4,515.04	
Town Hall	7,000.00	154,304.	2,002.00	7,000.00	133,217.40	10,652.19	12,436.41
Repairs to Public Buildings	9,300.00	106,423.	866.00	9,300.00	106,171.77	117.68	999.55
	47,501.56	4,915,253.	131,162.08	43,192.98	4,936,271.78	94,268.35	20,183.53
PUBLIC SAFETY							
Police	10,863.04	2,976,332.	383,798.55 ) 52,100.00A)	1,753.26	3,358,882.88	46,985.94	15,471.51
Transportation	343.24	65,233.	2,519.93	105.00	67,712.76	278.41	
Fire	16,989.92	3,753,758.	579,404.56 ) 15,400.00A)	8,989.92	4,176,021.70	168,660.40	11,880.46
Building Inspection	457.96	215,678.	7,654.32	250.00	218,734.34	4,766.54	39.40
	28,654.16	7,011,001.	1,040,877.36	11,098.18	7,821,351.68	220,691.29	27,391.37





SCHEDULE F (CONT'D.)

T R A N S F E R S

1977

	Balances From 1976	Appropriations	Various	To Res. for accts. Pay.	Total Disburse- ments	Unencumbered Balances Closed Out	Balances to 1978
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS							
Salaries:							
Administration	2,616.50	239,058.	9,906.00		238,661.30	12,464.82	454.38
Engineering	3,300.00	314,861.	13,278.85		317,522.12	13,917.73	
Highway	955.98	1,327,115.	113,306.08 )		1,507,318.88	574.55	175.00
			66,691.38A)				
Sanitation	225.00	562,407.	24,042.00		579,451.20	6,997.80	225.00
Water - Meters	125.00	110,530.	5,526.00		94,651.54	21,529.46	
Water - Distribution	250.00	462,007.	25,200.88 )		521,711.66	(19,328.78)	75.00
			15,000.00A)				
Operations:							
Administration Expense	1,809.74	8,915.		1,809.74	7,290.84	1,546.16	78.00
Engineering Expense	2,900.27	8,300.		2,900.27	8,283.04	16.96	
Highway Division:							
Roadways and Sidewalks	715.71	80,115.		715.71	66,654.86	10,026.74	3,423.40
Cleaning		31,400.			25,038.37	6,361.63	
Snow Removal	95.90	151,000.	1,000.00	95.90	271,291.96	(52,815.67)	9,168.01
			75,644.30				
Traffic Control	2,458.55	79,030.	18,000.00	2,458.55	91,324.43	5,705.57	
Motor Equipment Main- tenance	4,512.08	357,874.	47,000.00	4,512.08	397,228.84	3,821.53	3,823.63
Sewers and Drains		3,375.	5,000.00		7,152.11	1,222.89	
Street Lighting	250.00	445,500.	60,000.00	250.00	501,649.66	2,650.34	1,200.00
Sanitation Division:							
Refuse Collection		43,430.			39,149.37	4,062.04	218.59
Incinerator and Dump	1,925.00	351,738.	(134,600.00)	1,925.00	192,011.96	7,155.58	17,970.46
Water Division:							
Meters	3,349.08	32,420.		3,349.08	30,343.48	2,076.52	
Distribution	1,415.72	148,685	3,600.00	1,415.72	144,337.68	2,459.97	5,487.35
	26,904.53	4,757,760.	348,595.49	19,132.05	5,041,083.30	30,445.85	42,298.82





SCHEDULE F (CONT'D.)

TRANSFERS

1977

	Balances From 1976	Appropriations	Various	To Res. For Accts. Pay.	Total Disbursements	Unencumbered Balances Closed Out	Balances to 1978
<b>PARK AND FORESTRY</b>							
Park Personal Services	7,924.50	898,881.	37,093.90		913,987.99	26,267.89	3,643.52
Park Administration	89.00	2,270.	200.00	89.00	1,759.29	710.71	
Park Maintenance	11,057.85	163,257.	(200.00 )	11,057.85	151,234.61	2,572.09	11,715.34
			2,465.04A)				
Park Golf Course	4,092.03	27,370.		4,092.03	26,409.54	960.46	
Forestry Personal Services	127.03	175,590.	8,458.00 )		182,683.84	4,891.19	
			3,400.00A)				
Forestry Operations	22,713.52	29,746.	3,500.00A	22,713.52	28,320.94	2,059.94	2,865.12
Forestry Dutch Elm Diseases and Suppression of Insect Pests	4,066.39	19,940.		4,066.39	14,869.60	(1,131.36)	6,201.76
	50,070.32	1,317,054.	54,916.94	42,018.79	1,319,265.81	36,330.92	24,425.74
<b>RECREATION</b>							
Recreation Personal Services	5,959.69	599,872.	15,803.50		620,997.24	14.79	623.16
Recreation Administration	1,312.50	4,021.		1,312.50	2,133.04	1,887.96	
Recreation Operations	4,668.06	255,646.	(143,222.31)	4,668.06	95,432.69	7,147.80	9,843.20
	11,940.25	859,539.	(127,418.81)	5,980.56	718,562.97	9,050.55	10,466.36
<b>HEALTH</b>							
Health Department	6,151.60	602,913.	11,732.33 )	4,967.65	606,319.87	7,380.18	4,264.23
			2,135.00A)				
<b>CEMETERY</b>							
Care of Cemeteries	263.80	89,702.	4,029.00	263.80	92,889.74	841.26	
<b>LIBRARIES</b>							
Public Libraries							
Personal Services	2,291.96	751,863.	18,151.40		753,526.36	17,559.53	1,220.47
Maintenance	9,795.28	295,650.	17,100.00A	9,795.28	292,822.35	11,058.22	8,869.43
	12,087.24	1,047,513.	35,251.40	9,795.28	1,046,348.71	28,617.75	10,089.90
<b>PUBLIC SERVICES</b>							
Veterans Services	66,777.36	272,209.	3,520.00	65,327.09	246,034.20	1,237.53	29,907.54



SCHEDULE F (CONT'D.)  
TRANSFERS

	Balances From 1976	1977 Appropriations	Various	To Res. For Accts. Pay	Total Disbursements	Unencumbered Balances Closed Out	Balances to 1978
EDUCATION							
Reserve for Other Charges	415,723.03		321,317.63		288,558.38	127,164.65	321,317.63
Reserve for Teachers							
Salaries	10,495.38		71,331.31		9,501.58	993.80	71,331.31
	426,218.41		392,648.94		298,059.96	128,158.45	392,648.94
Instructional Services:							
Personnel Services	8,151,814.		(490.00)		8,073,343.10		
Contractual Services	686,821.		(255,964.30)		411,971.16		
Supplies and Materials	430,293.		(26,623.51)		321,906.04		
Other Charges	199,566.		875.34		208,072.81		
Capital Expenditures	63,521				47,378.40		
Total:	9,532,015.		(282,202.47)	186,372.21	9,062,671.51	768.81.	
Support Services:							
Personnel Services	3,588,667.		(49,757.86)		3,501,568.24		
Contractual Services	510,217.		353,385.43		832,367.67		
Supplies and Materials	835,695.		26,657.38		865,737.54		
Other Charges	164,249.		126,011.00		148,730.89		
Capital Expenditures	101,520.				97,664.49		
Total	5,200,348.		456,295.95	206,276.73	5,446,068.83.	4,298.39	
Departmental Total:	426,218.41	14,732,363.	566,742.42	392,648.94	14,806,800.30	133,225.65	392,648.94
UNCLASSIFIED:							
Out of State Travel		5,000.	800.00A		5,156.20	643.80	
Warrants and Reports	1,500.00	27,000.		1,500.00	26,290.45		709.55
Contingent Account	2,855.31	43,000.		2,855.31	39,673.25		3,326.75
Reserve Fund		460,000.	(421,325.48)A			38,674.52	
Reserve for Accounts Payable	292,865.42		155,465.20		200,559.62	72,680.68	175,090.32
Group Insurance		1,649,000.			1,588,164.72	60,835.28	
Workmen's Compensation	33,253.60	312,652.		33,253.60	312,459.85		192.15
Dues - Mass. League of Cities and Towns		3,844.			3,844.00		
General Services	1,091.47	262,599.	165.39	1,091.47	258,698.93	2,986.30	1,079.16





SCHEDULE F (CONT'D.)

TRANSFERS

	1977	Appropriations	Various	To Res. For Accts. Pay	Total Disbursements	Unencumbered Balances Closed Out	Balances to 1978
Property & Boiler Insurance	20,000.00	83,000.		20,000.00	82,064.00		936.00
Rent Control Board	2,532.58	151,504.	8,438.00	256.10	155,406.83	6,665.47	146.18
Human Relations -	6,252.66	158,512.	2,634.20 )	6,087.27	161,731.35	3,209.61	3,484.71
Youth Resources			7,114.08A)				
Council for the Aging		95,294.	3,709.00		97,759.86	1,080.34	162.80
Conservation Committee	3,606.34	32,486.	2,293.00	2,876.00	29,352.34	4,577.00	1,600.00
Boston-Taxes		6,000.			6,000.00		
Independent Audit		17,000.			17,000.00		
	363,957.38	3,306,891.	(240,706.61)	67,919.75	2,984,161.40	191,333.00	186,727.62

DEBT AND INTEREST

Matured Funded Debt	2,586,000.				2,586,000.00		
Interest on Funded Debt	857,187.				857,186.25	.75	
Miscellaneous Interest and Fees	80,000.				40,163.24	39,836.76	
	3,523,187.				3,483,349.49	39,837.51	

BUDGET SUMMARY

1,040,526.61	42,435,385.	1,830,836.60	662,645.07	43,102,439.25	793,259.84	748,404.05
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SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1977

	Appropriations-1977	Transfers During 1977	Disbursements	Balances Closed Out	Balances to 1978
77-601 Salary Adjustment -Town	591,705.00	(514,002.61)		77,702.39	
77-602 Salary Adjustment -School	537,000.00	(537,000.00)			
77-604 Unpaid Bills of Prior Years	1,721.17		1,721.17		
77-605 Main Library, Book Security System	27,155.00		19,830.00		7,325.00
77-606 Boylston Playground, Plans and Specifications	8,000.00	( 8,000.00)			
77-607 Lynch Recreation Center, Plans & Specifications	50,000.00	(50,000.00)			
77-608 Highway Reconstruction Program Chapter 765	64,289.00				64,289.00
77-609 Fire Dept., New Ladder Truck	145,000.00				145,000.00
77-610 Pierce School, Correction of Accountical Problems	167,000.00		152,883.00		14,117.00





SCHEDULE F (CONT'D.)

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1977	Appropriations 1977	Transfers During 1977	Disbursements	Balances Closed Out	Balances to 1978
77-611 Pierce School, Correction of Masonry Work	85,000.00		65,038.12		19,961.88
77-612 Water Mains Improvements	250,000.00		196,955.08		53,044.92
77-613 Beacon Playground, Reconstruction of Tennis Courts	94,000.00		59,217.95	34,782.05	
77-615 Parking Meters, New Meters	50,000.00		49,949.46	50.54	
77-616 Influenza Immunization		4,250.00A	4,019.94	230.06	
77-617 Pierce School, Supplemental Repairs		28,000.00	20,343.50		7,656.50
77-618 Personnel Board Survey		34,200.00A	7,503.70		26,696.30
77-619 Tax Title Foreclosure	684.00			684.00	
77-620 Public Transportation Service		8,563.00	8,563.00		
77-621 Pierce School Arbitration		16,000.00A	6,996.15		9,003.85
77-622 Downes Field Study		5,000.00A	1,900.00		3,100.00
77-623 Historical Commission's Survey & Planning Project		3,700.00A	2,734.44		965.56
77-624 Professional Appraisers - Assessors		25,000.00A	5,800.00		19,200.00
77-625 West Suburban Elder Services		4,200.00A			4,200.00
	2,071,554.17	(980,089.61)	603,455.51	113,449.04	374,560.01



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APPROPRIATIONS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM PRIOR YEARS	Balance From 1976	Transfers During 1977	Disburse- ments	Balances Closed Out	Balances to 1978
73-601 Town Hall Construction	8,001.37		8,000.00	1.37	
73-602 Coolidge Corner Land Acquisition	1,355.22				1,355.22
73-606 Fire Station Construction, Babcock Street	909.43				909.43
73-607 Devotion School, Plans & Spec's, Addns. and Alterations	43,376.56			43,376.56	
73-610 Indemnification Retired Police & Firefighter	371.00		343.32	27.68	
73-616 Land Taking - New Lincoln School	11,794.80				11,794.80
73-622 William H. Lincoln School - Plans and Specifications	13,306.24		835.15		12,471.09
73-624 Lawrence School - Plans & Spec's, Addns. and Alterations	22,168.86	1,995.95	1,792.28		22,372.53
73-625 Main Library - Additions & Alterations	28,570.47	1,188.58A			29,759.05
73-626 Main Library - Remodeling & Reconstruction	74,291.87	12,211.42A			86,503.29
73-628 Main Library - Equipping & Furnishing	16,866.85		14,042.83		2,824.02
73-629 New Traffic Signals - Beacon, Mountf'd. and St. Paul Streets	3,000.00			75.90	3,000.00
73-634 Juniper Street Deed	75.90				
73-641 Town Center Power Supply System	4,687.00				4,687.00
73-646 BRA Reimbursement During Const. Improve- ments to Pearl Street	20,000.00				20,000.00
73-650 Addition to Coolidge Corner Library	2,046.16				2,046.16
73-651 Remodeling & Repairs Coolidge Corner Library	260.71				260.71
73-656 Highway Construction - Chapter 90, 1972	11,090.05				11,090.05
73-658 Coolidge Corner Parking Lots	1,705.85				1,705.85
73-660 Modernization of Traffic Controls, Various Streets 1970	20,000.00				20,000.00
73-664 Construction of New Pierce School	173,866.38		2,141.80		171,724.58
73-665 Remodeling, Reconstruct, Pierce School not scheduled to be demolished 1970	30,000.00				30,000.00
73-666 Construction of Underground Municipal Parking Facility	42,428.87				42,428.87
73-673 Water Drain Easement - Harvard Avenue	3,786.00		3,786.00		





## SCHEDULE F (CONT'D.)

APPROPRIATIONS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM PRIOR YEARS	Balance From 1976	Transfers During 1977	Disburse- ments	Balances Closed Out	Balances to 1978
73-674 Easements - Land Damages - Water Construc- tion, Chapter 79, 1972	118.75				118.75
73-678 Lawrence School, Additional Departmental Equipment	6,356.70		4,363.40		1,993.30
73-680 Modernization of Traffic Control Devices Various Streets, 1972	43,336.50		26,691.35	16,645.15	
73-681 Traffic Signal Improvements, Washington Street at Station 7	12,700.00		64.00	5,000.00	7,636.00
73-682 Installation of Traffic Control Devices at "School Zones" at Various Schools	38,802.00		19,365.53	12,000.00	7,436.47
73-683 Land Damages - Washington Street Chapter 79	1.00				1.00
74-608 Highway Construction - Chapter 90, 1973	73,224.73		73,224.73		
74-609 Construction of Pedestrian Bridge - Brookline Village	538.52		106.00		432.52
74-611 Widening Juniper St. for Pedestrian Bridge	51,966.75			1,864.06	51,966.75
74-614 Construction of Schick Park	1,864.06				
74-617 Lease of Land from Commonwealth of Massachusetts	1.00				1.00
74-619 Holden Street Alterations	825.50			825.50	
75-704 Construction of Addition Devotion School	743,562.96		464,717.43		278,845.53
75-605 Solid Waste Transfer Station	98,553.08				98,553.08
75-606 Highway Construction, Chapter 90, 1974-75	13,632.76		13,632.76		
75-608 Tennis Courts, Construction of Amory Playground	5,532.39			5,532.39	
75-609 Traffic Control Signal Improvements, Cypress and Kendall Streets	40,000.00				40,000.00
75-610 Hall's Pond Area, Acquisition of Land	3,099.70				3,099.70
75-611 Hall's Pond Program of Construction	17,216.83		141.18		17,075.65
	1,685,292.82	15,395.95	633,247.76	85,348.61	982,092.40





SCHEDULE F (CONT'D.)

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APPROPRIATIONS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM PRIOR YEARS	Balances from 1976	Transfers During 1977	Disburse- ments	Balances Closed Out	Balances to 1978
76-601 Salary Adjustment - Town	527,600.00	(519,647.54)		7,952.46	
76-602 Emergency Medical Services System	203.27		165.33	37.94	
76-604 Water Main Improvements 1975-76	15,592.90		15,592.90		
76-606 Driscoll School, Feasibility Study	20,750.00				20,750.00
76-607 Longwood Playground, Reconstruction Tennis Courts	25,000.00		15,908.31	9,091.69	
76-608 Clark Playground, Modifications in Design	25,000.00		257.40		24,742.60
76-609 Baldwin Playground Area, Reconstruction	15,000.00		9,942.59	5,057.41	
76-610 Reconstruction and Maintenance Various Streets and Sidewalks	81,654.20		75,894.61		5,759.59
76-611 Highway Construction Program - Ch. 765	102,239.00		35,812.81	37,950.00	28,476.19
76-612 Audit Financial Records of Town	5,000.00				5,000.00
76-618 Lincoln School, Feasibility Study	25,000.00		22,800.00		2,200.00
76-619 Acoustical Problems, New Pierce School	2,903.75		1,809.00		1,094.75
	845,943.12	(519,647.54)	178,182.95	60,089.50	88,023.13
	1,685,292.82	15,395.95	633,247.76	85,348.61	982,092.40
SUMMARY PRIOR YEAR APPROPRIATIONS	2,531,235.94	(504,251.59)	811,430.71	145,438.11	1,070,115.53



## SCHEDULE F (CONT'D.)

## STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSMENTS

## State Assessments:

	Tax Levy Estimates	Actual Disburse- ments	Over Estimates to 1978	Under Estimates to 1978
Boston Metropolitan District Expense	1,223.95	1,223.94	.01	
Examination of Retirement System	2,144.00	2,144.00		
Health Insurance - Elderly Government Retirees	13,138.77	13,138.77		
Metropolitan Air Pollution District	4,187.50	4,016.88	170.62	
Metropolitan Area Planning Council	7,468.97	7,468.99		.02
Metropolitan Bay Transit Authority Deficiency	2,238,520.00	2,255,897.59		17,377.59
Metropolitan Park System:				

## Bond Principal

## Bond Interest

## Maintenance

## Metropolitan Sewerage System:

## Bond Principal

## Bond Interest

## Maintenance

## Metropolitan Water System

## Motor Vehicle Excise Bills

## Special Education Assessment

	433,156.23	422,128.15	11,028.08	
	655,500.24	644,080.04	11,420.20	
	5,020.05	5,020.05		
	84,357.00	91,377.00		7,020.00
	4,085,858.60	4,043,346.26	66,909.95	24,397.61

## County Assessments:

## County Tax

## County Hospital

	1,100,647.52	1,043,580.29	57,067.23	
	120,989.58	216,772.99		95,783.41
	1,221,637.10	1,260,353.28	57,067.23	95,783.41





SCHEDULE F (CONT'D.)

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR ENDING, JUNE 30, 1977

GRANTS AND GIFTS

	Balances From 1976	Receipts 1977	Disburse- ments	Transfers 1977	Balances to 1978
FEDERAL GRANTS					
School:					
National Defense Education Act - P.L. 864					
Aid to Education - P.L. 874	146,329.47	71,926.89	91,108.00		127,148.36
Magnet Program	70,866.14	175,686.92	219,579.45	1,229.82	25,743.79
Head Start	870.95				870.95
E.S.E.A. - Title I	28,257.68	51,513.00	78,243.14	43.40	1,484.14
School Library - Title II	827.00	5,896.20	5,158.54		1,564.66
Performing Arts - Title III	15,862.53				15,862.53
Vocational Education	10,223.15		5,474.81		4,748.34
Social Studies Project - Cincinnati Fund	226.92				226.92
Metco Program - P.L. 89-10	17,600.60	367,124.00	342,231.67	434.13	42,058.80
Recreation Program for Handicapped Children	60,481.90	1,500.00	443.56		61,538.34
Odwin	305.96				305.96
Academically Talented Pupils	2,458.32				2,458.32
Metco Research Services	10,203.50				10,203.50
Boston Metropolitan Planning Project	106,028.23	104,812.01	65,939.31	533.45	144,367.48
School Grants - Other:					
Harvard Grant	2,376.75				2,376.75
Wheelock College Intern Grant	200.00	2,200.00	2,399.80	.20	
Tutoring Assistance	184.79				184.79
Paul Simons - Lt. Gutman Foundation	1,346.34				1,346.34
Brookline Early Education Project	156,511.71	659,708.00	760,492.85	733.36	54,993.50
M.I.T. Institute Training Grant	1,800.00				1,800.00
M.G.H. Special Class Teacher	4,169.53				4,169.53
Educational Facilities Laboratory Study	2,500.00				2,500.00
Warren Day Care Center	500.00		500.00		





## SCHEDULE F (CONT'D.)

## STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR ENDING, JUNE 30, 1977

	Balances From 1976	Receipts 1977	Disburse- ments	Transfers 1977	Balances to 1978
OTHER GRANTS:					
Brookline Human Relations Fund	218.57				218.57
Committee on Urban Responsibility	325.00				325.00
Code Enforcement Program	455.08				455.08
Ford Foundation - Conservation Committee	551.00		551.00		
Garden Club Grant	160.00				160.00
HUD - Comprehensive Planning Assistance Program	8,746.95	29,600.00	22,866.79		15,480.16
Joseph P. Kennedy Jr. Foundation	18.98			18.98	
Mass. Public Health Nutrition Grant	9,770.00		5,050.00		4,720.00
Multi-Service Senior Center for the Aged	9,468.80	11,114.70	1,811.52		18,771.98
Peace Corp Training Program	200.00				200.00
Library Extension for Physically Handicapped		900.00			900.00
Police Planning Research	2,895.80		2,580.38		315.42
Traffic - Parking Dept. Fund	105.75			105.75	
Danforth Foundation Summer Curriculum	10,000.00	20,399.96	10,127.20		20,272.76
New Perspective School Grant	4,504.15	17,206.00	15,610.94		6,099.21
Chapter 622 Sex Discrimination	75.00	17,245.00	13,567.89	85.10	3,667.01
Library Learning Resources	3,744.32		3,741.75	2.57	
Community Development Block Grant	5,801.50	890,891.16	885,880.32	3,392.20	7,420.14
	697,172.37	2,427,723.84	2,533,358.92	6,578.96	584,958.33



## SCHEDULE F (CONT'D.)

## STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR ENDING, JUNE 30, 1977

	Balances From 1976	Receipts 1977	Disburse- ments	Transfers 1977	Balances to 1978
OTHER UNCLASSIFIED ACCOUNTS					
Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Revenues		10,000,000.00	10,000,000.00	(	
Parking Meter Receipts	51,725.50	174,361.50		156,118.50)	69,968.50
School Lunch Program	159,779.68	639,498.48	753,690.43	(61.96)	45,525.77
School Athletics Program	1,499.36	2,386.50	2,798.20		1,087.66
Agency, Tailings and Judgments	167,100.52	11,928,838.59	11,743,113.59	350.00	353,175.52
Trust Funds	6,364.10	68,971.55	67,569.40		7,766.25
Refunds on Taxes and Other Accounts		629,877.72	629,877.72		
Credits Direct to Appropriations		180,347.45	180,347.45		
Vacations Paid in Advance	(15,684.56)		21,209.14	15,684.56	(21,209.14)
Police Private Details - Revolving Fund	9,675.24	145,980.18	148,953.77	(32.00)	6,669.65
School Private Details - Revolving Fund	1,059.04	4,846.80	4,848.41		1,057.43
Other Private Work Details - Revolving Fund	70.71	3,288.07	3,024.90	(329.56)	4.32
Investments - Revenue Cash	(2,600,000.00)		26,200,000.00	28,300,000.00	(500,000.00)
Investments - Non Revenue Cash	(1,000,000.00)		800,000.00	1,800,000.00	
Massachusetts Bicentennial	3,566.24		3,382.27		183.97
	(3,214,844.17)	23,778,396.84	50,558,815.28	29,959,492.54	(35,770.07)

## Total Disbursements

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102,913,199.21

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- ( ) Indicates a Subtraction  
A Reserve Fund Transfers  
All Others - Interdepartmental Transfers





SCHEDULE G  
TREASURY RECEIPTS  
June 30, 1977

## TAXES (GROSS RECEIPTS)

## Levy of 1977:

Real Estate	36,602,070.22		
Personal Property	<u>1,741,013.54</u>	38,343,083.76	
Prior Years:			
Real Estate	938,724.93		
Personal Property	<u>35,636.45</u>	974,361.38	39,317,445.14

## IN LIEU OF TAXES

Brookline Housing Authority		22,073.01	
Assessors - G.L. Ch. 121A, S.10		<u>21,663.00</u>	43,736.01

## TAX TITLE REDEMPTIONS

54,459.30

## STATE - GENERAL FUND DISTRIBUTION

## General Fund Appropriated Reimbursements:

Real Estate Abatements to Veterans Ch. 59, S. 5	12,015.00		
Real Estate Abatements to Widows and others, Ch. 59, S.5	1,869.00		
Real Estate Abatements to Blind Persons, Ch. 59, S.5: 1973, Ch.872	1,424.00		
Urban Renewal Projects, Ch. 121	43,341.72		
Transportation of Pupils Ch. 71, Sections 7A & 37D	27,616.00		
Construction of School Projects, Ch. 645; 346, S.6A and Ch. 492, S. 18	<u>914,462.92</u>	1,000,728.64	
Reimbursement Items - Reserve For Direct Expenditures:			
Public Libraries, Ch. 78, S.19A		22,008.38	
General Fund Distributions:			
Recreation Program - Special Needs	- 0 -		
Transitional Bilingual Education Ch. 71A	- 0 -		
Special Education Program. Ch. 71B; 1973, Ch. 766	449,850.00		
School Aid, Ch. 70, as amended	<u>739,002.44</u>	1,188,852.44	

## Agency Funds Distributions:

Urban Redevelopment Corporation			
Excise Ch. 121A, S.10	285,799.26		
Highway Fund Distribution, Ch. 81, S.31; 1971 Ch. 497: 1974, Ch. 492	149,423.93		
Local Aid Fund Distribution (Lottery, Beano & Games) Ch. 29, S.2D: 1974 Chapter 492	223,010.04	658,233.23	2,869,822.69





## SCHEDULE G (CONT'D.)

## STATE GOVERNMENT

State --			
Highway Aid		111,626.95	
County --			
Highway Aid	1,025.02		
Dog Licenses	3,182.27	4,207.29	115,834.24

## LICENSES AND PERMITS

Liquor --			
Package Stores:			
All-Alcoholic	21,000.00		
Wines and Beers	5,400.00		
Restaurants:			
All-Alcoholic	36,000.00		
Wines and Beers	3,525.00		
Malt Beverages	1,450.00		
Innholders	3,050.00		
Clubs	750.00		
Temporary	23.00	71,198.00	
Antiques	1,250.00		
Auctioneers	255.00		
Auto Dealers, Second Hand	1,200.00		
Bicycle Registrations	63.00		
Builders	3,760.50		
Common Victuallers	3,195.00		
Day Nurseries	397.00		
Drainlayers	130.00		
Firearms, Sale of, and ID Cards	292.00		
Furniture, Second Hand	750.00		
Garbage Transportation	36.00		
Hackneys	4,638.00		
Ice Cream	65.00		
Jewelry and Second Hand Articles	800.00		
Junk Dealers	150.00		
Liquor, ID Cards	316.00		
Lodging Houses	4,075.00		
Manicuring and Massaging	25.00		
Marriages	1,472.00		
Milk and Cream	281.00		
Motion Pictures	100.00		
Open Air - Parking Lots	2,821.00		
Peddlers'	40.00		
Revolvers	740.00		
Retail Food Establishments	720.50		
Signs - Overhanging	184.00		
Sunday Entertainment	1,930.00		



## SCHEDULE G (CONT'D.)

Sunday Work Permits	2.00		
Swimming Pools	105.00		
Miscellaneous	<u>20.50</u>	<u>29,813.50</u>	101,011.50
GRANTS AND GIFTS			
Federal Government --			
Education:			
Brookline Early Education Program	659,708.00		
Federal Employment -			
Children P.L. 874	71,926.89		
Magnet Program,	175,686.92		
Metco Program P.L. 89-10	367,124.00		
Title 1 - E.S.E.A.	51,513.00		
Title II - E.S.E.A. - Library	<u>5,896.20</u>	<u>1,331,855.01</u>	
Other Grants:			
Boston Metropolitan Planning			
Project	104,812.01		
HUD Comprehensive Planning "701"	29,600.00		
Multi-Service Senior Center for			
the Aged	11,114.70		
Wheelock College Intern	2,200.00		
Community Development Block	887,498.96		
New Perspective School	17,206.00		
Danforth Foundation	20,399.96		
Chapter 622 Sex Discrimination	17,245.00		
Anti-Recession Grant	62,748.65		
Library Extension for Handicapped	900.00		
Recreation Program for Handicapped	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>1,155,225.28</u>	2,487,080.29
FINES AND FORFEITS			
Municipal Court Fines			357,742.90
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS			
Sewers:			
Unapportioned - Assessments			
and Charges		690.92	
Betterments:			
Apportioned Assessments	4,351.84		
Apportioned - Not Due	<u>670.18</u>	<u>5,022.02</u>	
Water Mains:			
Apportioned Assessments		<u>74.49</u>	5,787.43





## SCHEDULE G (CONT'D.)

## PRIVILEGES

## Motor Vehicle and Trailer

## Excise:

Current Year	896,383.25	
Prior Year	961,946.73	1,858,329.98

## Parking Motor Receipts:

On-Street	121,615.50	
Off-Street	52,746.00	174,361.50
Occupation of Sidewalks		<u>510.00</u>
		2,033,201.48

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

## Comptroller:

Work Detail - Surcharge	1,244.00	
Sale of Waste Paper	39.50	
Telephone Refunds and Commissions	70.21	
Miscellaneous	<u>82.16</u>	1,435.87

## Treasurer and Collector:

Settlement Cash Discrepancy	29,741.23	
Legal Fees	9,235.04	
Miscellaneous	<u>194.95</u>	39,171.22

## Assessors:

Sale of Lists		436.00
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## Town Clerk:

Recording Fees	2,248.50	
Dog License Fees	839.80	
Sporting License Fees	483.85	
Certified Copies	<u>8,973.87</u>	12,546.02

## Selectmen:

Rentals - Anderson Estate	5,725.00	
Recovery of Damages and Claims	144.03	
Insurance Recoveries for Property Damage	<u>6,883.09</u>	12,752.12

## Rent Board:

Miscellaneous		224.48
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## Conservation Commission:

State Reimbursement Hall Pond		<u>57,965.43</u>	124,531.14
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## SCHEDULE G (CONT 'D.)

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

## Police Department:

Police Details - Surcharge	12,024.80	
Photos, Report Fees, Etc.	6,207.00	
Damages - Claim Recoveries	3,759.98	
Proceed of Auction	1,236.15	
Miscellaneous	41.77	23,269.70.

## Fire Department:

Recovery of Damages	1,204.73	
Private Work Details - Surcharge	250.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>1,487.00</u>	2,941.73

## Inspection of Buildings:

Sundry Permits	42,792.45	
Board of Appeals	270.00	43,062.45

## Sealing of Weights and Measures:

Fees		1,331.90
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## Forestry Department:

Pruning Trees - Public Utility		<u>6,640.00</u>	77,245.78
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## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

## Engineering:

Zoning maps, Photostats, Etc.		664.02
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## Highways:

Gasoline Tax Refund	845.92	
Recovery Damages - Street and Traffic Signals	15,089.84	
Sidewalks and Driveways	3,865.72	
Sale of Waste Paper	9,754.41	
Sale of Scrap Metal and Glass	1,429.21	
Sidewalk Permits	285.00	
Storage Rental Charged to State D.P.W.	600.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>1,200.50</u>	33,070.60

## Sanitation:

Refuse and Garbage Disposal	10,875.75	
Dumping Permits	<u>3,756.00</u>	14,631.75



## SCHEDULE G (CONT'D.)

Water:			
Sale of Water	1,309,509.37		
Water Liens	173,579.25		
Connections	15,441.61		
Recovery of Damages and Claims	3,132.61		
Maintenance	806.30	1,502,469.14	1,550,835.51
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HEALTH			
Rabies - Vaccine Clinic		1,851.00	
X-Rays		885.00	
Miscellaneous		240.00	2,976.00
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VETERANS' SERVICES			
Veterans' Benefits		210,395.69	
Veterans' Recoveries		5,651.63	216,047.32
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SCHOOLS			
Tuition:			
Individuals --			
High School	39,372.93		
Elementary	8,043.72		
Summer School	24,703.20		
Adult Education --			
Registration Fees	22,569.00		
Driver Training Fees	2,675.00		
Cities and Towns --			
Evening Vocational	302.25	97,666.10	
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Sundry Receipts:			
Custodial, Police & Firefighter Details	4,851.80		
Miscellaneous Refunds	705.84		
Telephone Refunds	520.90		
Rental of School Property	2,009.50		
Sale of Material	269.63		
Recovery of Damages - Lost Books, etc.	363.13		
Settlement of Claim Lawrence School	1,995.95		
Rental of School Bus	284.69		
Reimbursement Use of Town Cars	504.80	11,506.24	109,172.34
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LIBRARIES			
Fines and Refunds		37,292.92	
Sale of Obsolete Books		2,704.82	
Custodial Details - Surcharge		21.69	40,019.43
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## SCHEDULE G (CONT'D.)

## PARK AND RECREATION

## Park:

Tennis Permits		27,297.00	
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## Ice Skating Rink:

Fees	14,401.00		
Concessionaire & Vending Machines	470.00	14,871.00	

## Golf:

Daily Play and Green Fees	33,261.75		
Permits, Residents	56,240.00		
Permits, Non-Residents	30,186.00		
Lockers	9,385.00		
Golf Car Commissions	7,198.04		
Concessionaire - Lunch Counter	1,924.61		

State Reimbursement Schick Playground	28,479.60		
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Anderson Park Permits	1,971.00		
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Rental of Town Property	900.00		
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Recovery of Damages	200.00		
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Telephone Refunds	123.27		
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Miscellaneous - Garden Space	222.50		
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		<u>170,091.77</u>	
		212,259.77	

## Recreation:

Swimming Pool Fees	22,752.35		
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New Gymnasium Facilities	18,694.60		
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Morning Play	10,361.00		
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Summer Day Camp	5,594.50		
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State Subsidy of Milk	1,266.26		
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Skating Lessons	1,585.00		
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Rentals	<u>345.00</u>	<u>60,598.71</u>	272,858.48
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## CEMETERIES

Interments and Foundations	19,869.09		
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Sale of Lots and Graves	<u>8,385.00</u>	28,254.09	
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Perpetual Care Fund - Income		19,718.19	
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Perpetual Care Fund - Capital		<u>8,385.00</u>	56,357.28
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## INTEREST

On Taxes	90,311.48		
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Betterments	1,284.59		
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Water Mains	<u>2.98</u>	91,599.05	
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Certificates of Deposits	87,118.36		
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Invested on Daily Basis	62,090.11		
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Tax Titles	<u>4,740.28</u>	<u>153,948.75</u>	245,547.80
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## SCHEDULE G (CONT.D.)

## UNCLASSIFIED

Metropolitan Water - Account of Property Acquired	1,887.40	
Metropolitan Water - District General Maintenance	1,627.27	
Commonwealth of Mass. - Census Reim- bursement, Ch. 10	13,244.50	
Division of Youth Service	<u>35.00</u>	16,794.17

## REVENUE SHARING FUNDS

Applied to Appropriations		<u>700,000.00</u>
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## TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE

50,798,506.23

## MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Anticipation of Revenue		10,000,000.00
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## INVESTED CASH

Revenue Cash	28,300,000.00	
Non-Revenue Cash	<u>1,800,000.00</u>	30,100,000.00

## AGENCY ACCOUNTS AND TRUST FUNDS

School Lunch:		
Schools	364,265.84	
Federal Grants	<u>275,232.64</u>	639,498.48

Police Private Details	145,980.18	
Sporting Licenses for State	16,464.25	
Dog Licenses for County	7,286.20	
School Athletic Activities	2,386.50	
Fire Dept. Private Details	2,435.08	
Recoveries - Books and Art Materials	2,214.96	
Highway - No Parking Sign Deposits	213.00	
Comptroller Work Details	276.50	
Library Work Details	216.93	
Employees Group Insurance Trust Fund	71,175.00	

## Miscellaneous:

Payroll Deductions Withheld	11,273,722.08	
Cash Escrow for Community Development Block	507,224.55	
Trust Funds	49,253.36	
Deposits on Engineering Plans & Spec's.	80.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>195.53</u>	12,718,622.60



## SCHEDULE G (CONT'D.)

## CREDITS DIRECT TO APPROPRIATIONS

Advance Payments Group Insurance	629.31	
Cemetery	1,339.58	
Conservation Commission	3.00	
Community Development Block	52,689.56	
Fire Department	376.39	
Forestry	605.28	
General Services	2,722.93	
Grants and Gifts	908.16	
Group Insurance	14,222.50	
Health Department	3,543.00	
Highway - D.P.W.	7,532.34	
Human Relations	10,063.42	
Legal	129.38	
Library	1,091.37	
Out of State Travel	3,690.00	
Park Department	1,580.71	
Planning	335.60	
Police Department	87.92	
Purchasing	370.68	
Retirement	21,371.73	
Reserve for Accounts Payable	1,009.80	
Selectmen	2,740.00	
Special Appropriations	30,352.10	
School Activities	114.15	
School Grants	502.77	
School	5,804.74	
Town Clerk	107.24	
Treasurer	36.00	
Trust Funds	675.00	
Veterans	2,952.45	
Water - D.P.W.	1,445.44	
Workmen's Compensation	9,427.50	178,460.05

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## SCHEDULE G (CONT'D.)

TOTAL GROSS RECEIPTS		103,795,588.88
DEDUCT REFUNDS		
Real Estate Taxes:		
Levy of 1977	243,575.84	
Levy of 1976	179,567.84	
Levy of 1975	135,291.92	
Levy of 1974	38,359.02	
Levy of 1973	1,971.00	
Levy of 1972	<u>1,930.50</u>	600,696.12
Personal Property Taxes:		
Levy of 1977	400.50	
Levy of 1975	<u>80.00</u>	480.50
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
Levy of 1977	4,601.69	
Levy of 1976	13,550.15	
Levy of 1975	1,291.62	
Levy of 1974	109.50	
Levy of 1973	<u>29.10</u>	19,582.06
Street Betterments 1977	23.12	
Committed Interest 1977	2.77	
Schools	3,667.25	
Building	85.00	
Interest on Taxes	23.50	
Police	35.00	
Anderson - Park	101.00	
Golf - Park	399.50	
Library	190.70	
Cemetery	<u>610.00</u>	5,137.84
Water Rates and Liens		<u>3,240.70</u> 629,137.22
TOTAL NET RECEIPTS		103,166,451.66
Cash Balance - July 1, 1976		<u>7,113,185.89</u>
GRAND TOTAL		<u><u>110,279,637.55</u></u>





SCHEDULE H  
EXPENDITURES FROM CONTINGENCY FUND - FISCAL 1977

Selectmen:

Advertising Fees	924.45	
Ambulance Service & Medical Supplies	2,281.98	
Arbitration Costs	1,460.60	
Consultant Fee-Insurance	10,810.00	
Conference expense and Dues	862.91	
Bicentennial Celebration	1,050.00	
Meeting Expense	2,080.21	
Mini-Bus Service	7,543.69	
Overtime-Extra Compensation Various Departments	5,262.46	
Public Employee - Surety Bond	198.00	
Postage	40.00	
Subscriptions	255.00	
Supplies	1,374.26	
Land Court Fees	109.66	
J.F. Kennedy Birthday Celebration	420.93	
Miscellaneous	687.33	
		35,361.48

Assessors:

Special Course	105.00
City of Boston-Real Estate Taxes	474.24
Council on Planning and Renewal Meeting Expense	34.10

Moderator:

Conference Expense and Dues	12.50
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Personnel Board:

Meeting Expense	34.50
Travel	85.93
	120.43

Special Counsel

Federal Projects	3,202.00
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Tax Collector

Envelopes	483.50
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Encumbrances Brought Forward June 30, 1977

39,793.25
3,206.75
<u>43,000.00</u>



SCHEDULE I

TRUST FUND TRANSACTIONS

JUNE 30, 1977

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	Balance, July 1, 1976		Receipt of		Payment of		Balance, June 30, 1977	
	Principal	Accumulated Income	Income	Gifts	Income	Gifts	Principal	Accumulated Income
<b>SCHOOL FUNDS:</b>								
Mabel P. Bailey	5,000.00	43.14	160.42		78.00		5,000.00	125.56
John A. Curtin	2,000.00	3,594.83	510.35		525.00		2,000.00	3,580.18
Payson Dana	3,000.00	2,008.47	315.11		350.00		3,000.00	1,973.58
Abbie W. Deane	4,687.00	7,078.40	1,178.49		2,500.00		4,687.00	5,756.89
Charles W. Holtzer	8,333.33	11,203.92	1,440.11		1,250.00		8,333.33	11,394.03
J. Murray Kay	1,000.00	119.55	51.01		44.32		1,000.00	126.24
William H. Lincoln								
Scholarship	20,407.89		1,100.90		465.92		21,042.87	
William H. Lincoln-Medal		2,572.07	122.38		95.42			2,599.03
Sumner E. Shikes	1,000.00	202.03	87.59		50.00		1,000.00	239.62
Katherine B. Schick	10,000.00	437.94	457.29		425.00		10,000.00	470.23
D. Blakely Hoar		11,629.13	635.75					12,264.88
Arthur W. Murphy		580.69	31.06					611.75
Edward Fredkin		4,651.02	248.31					4,899.33
The Kendrick Memorial	5,000.00	382.00	382.13		750.00		5,000.00	14.13
Marian M. Thomas	25,000.00	1,014.60	2,286.01		2,100.00		25,000.00	1,200.61
F.L. & M.C. Grymish	5,000.00	406.12	422.05		410.00		5,000.00	418.17
	90,428.22	45,923.91	9,428.96		9,043.66		91,063.20	45,674.23
<b>LIBRARY FUNDS:</b>								
Alice W. Bancroft	1,000.00	103.91	60.11				1,000.00	164.02
Caleb D. Bradlee	500.00	628.16	61.79				500.00	689.95
Isabella S. Gardner	5,000.00	818.93	437.98		183.00		5,000.00	1,073.91
John L. Gardner-1871	10,000.00	1,507.65	749.21		1,039.02		10,000.00	1,217.84
John L. Gardner-1924	19,911.85	1,831.75	1,623.47		1,072.66		19,911.85	2,382.56
Martin L. Hall	5,000.00	803.30	462.69		352.82		5,000.00	913.17
John E. Hoar	500.00	140.63	34.99				500.00	175.62
Frances E. Hunt	5,000.00	1,242.64	599.35				5,000.00	1,841.99
Louisa M. Hooper	5,000.00	255.24	243.05				5,000.00	498.29
Sidney L. Kaye	240.00	21.05	14.37				240.00	35.42
Leon R. Eyges	15,000.00	853.11	869.15				15,000.00	1,722.26
D. Blakely Hoar	25,000.00	5,012.43	1,641.22		120.00		25,000.00	6,533.65
Brookline Public Library		3,286.20	459.81		2,193.52			1,552.49
Fund For The Preservation								
Of Historical Books								
	92,151.85	16,505.00	7,429.23		4,961.02		102,151.85	18,973.21
					10,000.00			





SCHEDULE I (Cont.)

	Balance, July 1, 1976		Receipt of		Payment of		Receipt of		Balance, June 30, 1977	
	Principal	Accumulated Income	Income	Gifts	Income	Gifts	Principal	Accumulated Income	Principal	Accumulated Income
TREE FUNDS:										
Arthur W. & F.G. Blake	3,000.00	730.41	152.11				3,000.00	882.52		
James W. Bowditch	4,500.00	815.40	380.25				4,500.00	1,195.65		
James S. Warren	1,000.00	326.09	94.89				1,000.00	420.98		
D. Blakely Hoar-Memorial		1,127.64	61.63					1,189.27		
D. Blakely Hoar-Tree Planting	8,500.00	21,785.83	1,143.87		2,503.05		8,500.00	20,426.65		
		24,785.37	1,832.75		2,503.05			24,115.07		

OTHER FUNDS:										
Stabilization Fund			1,051.92						20,238.75	
Public Safety-1918			111.71		147.50				1,656.47	
Stephen G. Train-Health			4,219.83		3,762.50		93,096.66			
Cemetery-Perpetual Care			9,407.72						272,571.67	
D. Blakely Hoar-Bird										
Sanctuary		10,419.20	579.16						10,998.36	
Conservation Fund		3,023.25	155.72			2,420.00			5,598.97	
	92,639.33	297,485.49	15,526.06		3,910.00	2,420.00	93,096.66	311,064.22		
	283,719.40	384,699.77	34,217.00		20,417.73	12,420.00	294,811.71	399,826.73		





SCHEDULE J  
TAX LEVIES AND TAX COLLECTIONS

Fiscal Period	Collection of Current Taxes		Percentage of Levy Collected		Collection of Back Taxes		Total Collection of Current and Back Taxes	Percentage Current and Back Taxes to Tax Levy	Tax Titles Held by Town and Foreclosed Tax Titles
	During Fiscal Period	Tax Levy	During Fiscal Period		During Fiscal Period				
1966	12,827,841	13,231,820	96.95%		292,600		13,120,441	99.16%	18,009
1967	14,962,897	15,516,514	96.43%		251,771		15,214,668	98.06%	15,746
1968	16,696,918	17,935,599	93.09%		336,244		17,033,162	94.97%	14,803
1969	19,854,461	21,548,078	92.14%		793,738		20,648,199	95.82%	13,572
1970	24,708,450	26,216,172	94.25%		843,250		25,551,700	97.46%	35,229
1971	27,035,005	28,358,287	95.33%		527,333		27,562,338	97.19%	52,413
1972	30,192,806	31,803,357	94.94%		532,451		30,725,257	96.61%	75,643
1973-74	46,786,678	49,155,181	95.18%		550,939		47,337,617	96.30%	17,716
1974-75	34,139,969	36,076,208	94.63%		1,079,809		35,219,778	97.63%	80,272
1975-76	36,082,653	38,085,445	94.74%		911,635		36,994,288	97.13%	76,507
1976-77	38,099,107	40,135,146	94.93%		617,161		38,716,268	96.46%	152,002

SCHEDULE K

PERCENTAGE OF BONDED DEBT TO ASSESSED VALUATIONS AND BONDED DEBT PER CAPITA

Fiscal Period	Population	Assessed Value		Bonded Debt	Percentage of Bonded Debt to Assessed Value		Bonded Debt Per Capita
		Assessed Value			Bonded Debt to Assessed Value		
1966	53,608	236,800,000		7,753,000	3.27%		144.62
1967	53,608	238,680,000		7,616,000	3.19%		142.07
1968	53,608	432,183,100+		7,760,000	1.80%		144.75
1969	53,608	439,755,700		6,874,000	1.56%		128.23
1970	58,090*	444,341,900		8,698,000	1.96%		149.73
1971	52,882**	446,587,200		17,882,000	4.00%		338.15
1972	52,882	444,802,200		19,218,000	4.32%		363.41
1973-74	52,627	450,983,300		17,001,000	3.76%		323.05
1974-75	52,978**	450,952,600		21,713,000	4.81%		409.85
1975-76	51,332	453,398,200		19,048,000	4.20%		371.07
1976-77	53,150	450,956,700		16,462,000	3.65%		309.73

Population:

\*U. S. Census

\*\*State Census

Estimated for Other Years

+Increase due to Revaluation of Taxable Properties

-Decrease due to Revaluation of Taxable Properties



SCHEDULE L  
VALUATIONS, TAX RATES, EXPENDITURES, DEBT AND PER CAPITAS

Year	Population	Total		Valuations		Tax Rate		Expenditures		Funded		Debt
		Valuations	Per Capita	Per \$1,000	For the Year	Per Capita	Debt	Per Capita				
*1950	57,589	\$154,665,500	\$2,685	\$37.00	\$ 9,522,958	\$ 165.36	\$ 3,061,000	\$ 53.15				
1951	57,500	159,589,300	2,775	38.90	10,318,673	179.46	2,976,000	51.76				
1952	57,500	159,615,800	2,775	40.20	10,155,483	176.62	3,431,700	59.68				
1953	57,000	162,445,800	2,849	41.00	11,119,453	195.08	4,097,500	71.89				
+1954	57,000	164,933,700	2,893	44.30	11,975,210	210.09	3,772,000	66.18				
+1955	56,876	168,041,300	2,954	45.00	10,911,992	191.86	3,813,000	67.04				
1956	56,500	170,531,400	3,018	48.00	11,922,946	211.03	3,536,000	62.58				
1957	56,000	178,013,000	3,178	48.50	12,585,319	224.74	4,070,000	72.68				
1958	55,000	179,907,200	3,271	52.20	13,758,750	250.16	4,605,000	83.73				
1959	54,500	181,681,400	3,333	55.50	14,794,228	271.45	4,693,000	86.11				
*1960	54,044	184,662,000	3,416	54.00	14,136,519	261.57	4,551,000	84.21				
1961	54,044	190,962,900	3,533	52.50	14,932,531	276.30	4,118,000	76.20				
1962	54,044	216,909,500	4,013	48.50	16,448,715	304.36	7,135,000	132.02				
1963	54,044	223,236,900	4,130	51.00	18,088,437	334.70	6,559,000	121.36				
1964	54,044	227,340,900	4,206	56.00	19,081,119	353.07	6,247,000	115.59				
+1965	53,608	231,968,000	4,327	56.50	19,879,027	370.80	7,060,000	131.70				
1966	53,608	236,800,000	4,417	56.00	21,481,199	400.71	7,753,000	144.62				
1967	53,608	238,680,000	4,452	65.00	24,340,713	454.05	7,616,000	142.07				
1968	53,608	432,183,100=	8,061=	41.50-	25,577,488	477.12	7,760,000	144.75				
1969	53,608	439,755,700	8,203	49.00	27,473,918	512.50	6,874,000	128.23				
*1970	58,090	444,341,900	7,649	59.00	31,750,909	546.58	8,698,000	149.73				
+1971	52,882	446,587,200	8,440	63.50	35,681,922	674.39	17,882,000	338.15				
1972	52,882	444,802,200	8,411	71.50	42,042,911	795.03	19,218,000	353.41				
1973-74	52,627	450,983,300	8,569	73.00	62,686,226	1,191.14	17,001,000	323.05				
+1974-75	52,978	450,952,600	8,512	80.00	47,327,098	893.33	21,713,000	409.85				
1975-76	51,332	453,398,200	8,832	84.00	47,648,400	928.24	19,048,000	371.07				
1976-77	53,150	450,956,700	8,485	89.00	49,821,025	937.37	16,462,000	309.73				

\*Official Federal Census Figures

+Official State Census Figures

=Increase due to Revaluation of Taxable Properties

-Decrease due to Revaluation of Taxable Properties

Estimated for Other Years





## ASSESSORS' VALUATION OF TOWN PROPERTY

June 30, 1977

	Land	Buildings	Personal Property	Total
Town Hall	\$ 300,000	\$ 2,400,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 2,950,000
Police Station	50,000	700,000	25,000	775,000
Train Health Center	100,000	400,000	40,000	540,000
V.F.W. Center	150,000			150,000
19 Foreclosed Properties	63,000			63,000
Schools			600,000	23,932,600
High	400,000	4,500,000		
Manual Training High	100,000	200,000		
Baker	500,000	1,500,000		
Baldwin	65,000	175,000		
Baldwin (part)	50,000			
Clark	50,000			
Devotion School and Devotion House	500,000	1,220,000		
Driscoll	525,000	1,000,000		
Heath	270,000	950,000		
Lawrence	100,000	2,500,000		
Lincoln	275,000	1,059,600		
Pierce	400,000	5,700,000		
Runkle	200,000	1,000,000		
Sewall	43,000	50,000		
Public Library	200,000	3,300,000	689,000	5,145,200
Branch Libraries				
Pleasant Street	75,000	500,000		
West Roxbury Parkway	45,000	320,000		
School Street (library)	15,000	1,200		
Fire Department			300,000	1,585,200
Station 1, Village Square	60,000	100,200		
Station 2, Washington and Thayer Street	50,000	200,000		
Station 4, Boylston Street	40,000	90,000		
Station 5, Babcock	100,000	300,000		
Station 6, Hammond Street	42,000	250,000		
Station 7, Washington Street	13,000	40,000		
Highway Department			765,000	2,315,000
Hammond Street Yard	40,000	12,000		
Incinerator	450,000	801,000		
Cypress Street Yard & Garage	67,000	100,000		
Land, Newton Street	80,000			
Water Department			2,700,000	3,545,600
Covered Reservoir, Fisher Hill	104,000	300,000		
Reservoir and Standpipe				
Singletree Hill	56,600	295,000		
Garage, Emerald Street	35,000	55,000		
Recreation Commission				
Gymnasium and Swimming Pool	130,000	2,300,000	75,000	2,888,000
Soule Center	300,000	83,000		
Conservation Commission				
Hall's Pond	80,000			80,000





	Land	Buildings	Personal Property	Total
Parks and Public Grounds			\$ 90,000	\$ 7,587,200
Addington Road	\$ 75,000	\$ 500		
Amory Playground	300,000	26,000		
Anderson Estate	600,000	314,600		
Babcock and Dwight Triangle	7,000			
Babcock and Freeman Triangle	6,500			
Beacon Playground	500,000	25,000		
Beverly Road	50,000			
Brook Street Playground	24,000			
Brookline Ave. Playground	270,000	50,000		
Brookline Field	450,000	125,000		
Clark Playground	50,000			
Coolidge Playground	146,000			
Corey Hill Park-North	125,000			
Corey Hill Park-South	120,000			
Cypress Playground	300,000			
Devotion Playground	165,000			
Dudley Street Triangle	32,000			
Eliot Playground	460,000	43,000		
Eliot Land	37,000			
Emerson Park	150,000			
Farm Playground	17,000			
Griggs Field Playground	200,000			
Hammond Street	80,000			
Kent, Brook and Bowker Playground	40,000			
Knyvet Square	250,000			
Lawton Playground	40,000			
Linden Park	20,000			
Linden Square	9,500			
Longwood Playground	300,000			
Longwood Square	100,000			
Mason Square	48,000			
Netherlands Road	50,000	75,000		
Philbrick Square	12,000			
Pierce Playground	300,000			
Putterham Meadows	720,000	155,000		
Reservoir Lane	4,000			
Reservoir Park	150,000	6,000		
Riverdale Parkway	100,000			
Robinson Playground	100,000	100		
Vernon Park	37,000			
Walnut and Warren Triangle	3,000			
Winthrop Square	125,000			
Woodland Road & Hammond Street	104,000			
Walnut Hills Cemetery House				
96 Grove Street		19,500	1,500	21,000
Fire and Police Telegraph			150,000	150,000
Forestry Department			11,500	11,500
Heating and Lighting Plant			77,200	77,200
Sanitation Department			30,500	30,500



## SCHEDULE M - VALUATION OF TOWN PROPERTY - (Cont.)

	Land	Buildings	Personal Property	Total
Street Lighting System			\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
Parking Lot-Babcock Street	\$ 130,000			130,000
Parking Lot-Centre Street	400,000			400,000
Parking Lot-Centre Street	130,000			130,000
Parking Lot-Fuller Street	65,000			65,000
Parking Lot-John Street				
Extension	30,000			30,000
Parking Lot-Kent Street	58,000			58,000
Parking Lot-Webster Street	30,000			30,000
Parking Lot-Webster Street	165,000			165,000
Newton Street Land	4,000			4,000
86 Monmouth Street	60,000	5,000		65,000
	<u>\$ 13,872,600</u>	<u>\$ 33,246,700</u>	<u>\$ 5,854,700</u>	<u>\$ 52,974,000</u>





## SCHEDULE N

## BROOKLINE RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Submitted herewith is the Annual Report of the Brookline Retirement System for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1977, consisting of a Schedule of Income and Disbursements, a Balance Sheet, and a Schedule of Securities Owned.

During this period the Board retired 52 members, of which 27 were for superannuation, 16 were for accidental disability, 1 for ordinary disability, and 8 survivorship allowances for the widows of deceased members.

Membership in the system at the close of the fiscal year totalled 1,974, which is comprised of the following categories:

1441	Active members
12	Inactive members
521	Retired members

## INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS

Cash balance July 1, 1976		392,351.95
Income:		
From members:	\$	874,171.10
From Town:		
Pension Fund		2,187,989.21
Expense Fund		31,681.00
Reimbursements from other systems		28,526.35
Members redeposits and repayments		6,497.26
Investment Income		692,766.18
Sale of Securities		530,108.36
Profit on securities sold		4,211.83
		<u>4,355,951.29</u>
		<u>4,748,303.24</u>
Disbursements:		
Annuities paid		220,011.46
Pensions paid		2,637,177.46
Pension reimbursements to other systems		54,889.95
Refunds and transfers of member's accounts		156,126.16
Administration		29,994.13
Purchase of securities		541,335.32
Treasury Bills		1,047,488.49
Accrued interest on securities		6,769.09
		<u>4,693,792.06</u>
Cash balance June 30, 1977	\$	<u>54,511.18</u>





## ASSETS

Cash	\$ 54,511.18
Investments:	
Bonds	9,129,827.45
Stocks	438,327.63
Savings Banks	232,922.42
Cooperative Banks	180,000.00
Treasury Bills	1,047,488.49
Interest Accrued	<u>145,892.10</u>
	<u>\$11,228,969.27</u>

## LIABILITIES

Annuity Savings Fund	\$ 8,072,980.92
Annuity Reserve Fund	2,470,154.23
Pension Fund	670,553.03
Military Service Credit Fund	9,898.32
Expense Fund	<u>5,382.77</u>
	<u>\$11,228,969.27</u>

## SECURITIES OWNED - JUNE 30, 1977

## Bonds - par value

U.S. Government	55,000.00
International Agencies	350,000.00
Railroad Companies	400,000.00
Telephone Companies	2,745,000.00
Public Utility Companies	4,380,000.00
Industrial Companies	<u>1,325,000.00</u>
	<u>\$9,255,000.00</u>

Stocks:	Number of Shares	Market Value 12/31/76
Banking Companies	16,470	\$ <u>438,327.63</u>
Massachusetts Cooperative Banks	900	\$ <u>180,000.00</u>
Savings Banks Deposits		\$ <u>232,922.42</u>
Treasury Bills		<u>\$1,047,488.49</u>











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